

850 March 22<sup>nd</sup> Cloudy like for Rain by  
23<sup>rd</sup> Colicing in new ground & cleaning up  
began to take down tobacco in new  
Barn but broke off so cold hung it up  
again freezing out of Prose Barn still  
nearly full Turned out the legs  
a few days ago  
24<sup>th</sup> Clear & cold cloudy - money to  
25<sup>th</sup> Collaring cleaning up saved meat  
Rivings Board Sawing sets etc  
Raking Collaring & Plowing - loaded waggon  
for Lyndy this evening  
27<sup>th</sup> Starting to Lyndy & Robt McCullock failed  
to meet my Waggon at Capt. Clancy's  
& went on myself I got pulled up  
commenced snowing & started & continued  
all day & that night we got to Lyndy  
28<sup>th</sup> Snow about 5 inches off road &  
& got to Lyndy that night  
29 Sold Legs for 6.60 & returned back  
to Lyndy that night  
30 Got Home soon in evening  
They have been fencing & at work  
on new ground as they could.  
31<sup>st</sup> Snow all gone to a fine day my  
wife, Mr Holliday my wife come to  
Mrs McCullock's, Mr. Hunt & family had  
pretty weather - to begin to till  
2<sup>nd</sup> Cropping in frost in new ground & hope  
flowing for corn began to till  
rained nearly all day Hard rain and  
Sent Jordan to tried got very wet. Shaded  
some cleared out stable in part He made  
Catherine S hay, freezing tobacco  
& cleared off last night forked up manure  
this morning turned out the good tobacco.  
Hailing Rail & wood to day, Jordan to  
me my wife gone to Mrs. Leinenweber  
very windy to day. I went to Mrs. McCullock's

- 1850 April 5<sup>th</sup> Cropping on new ground to day  
Plowing for corn began to Hill  
Cloudy & like for falling weather  
6 Rained Stop us yesterday morning &  
it Rained hard all day nearly.  
Shoemaking for F.W. O'neal making  
Basket weaving & shelling corn with cool  
Raining again this morning from south  
7<sup>th</sup> My wife & myself went to Mrs. Hunt's house  
Tolerable good day quite cool Rotating  
8<sup>th</sup> Fencing this morning & picking sweet  
Sent Henry to Mill 10 bush. Corn & about  
10 bushels wheat & to bring back one bushel  
Wrote to Mrs. May & McCullough and Harry in  
9<sup>th</sup> Planted sweet Potatoes on Hill yesterday  
also Snap & corn. Plowing for corn  
Cutting on new ground, fencing at  
Cutting & plowing this morning —  
Scattering plaster on clown lot by Lily's  
House, put on some in marsh & balance on hill  
Expect to Hill to day in new ground  
Put Plaster on Plant Beds to day —  
10. Began to rain last evening Hammett  
done much for a week, snow then  
Keeps the ground so wet, halting rails  
11<sup>th</sup> Fencing to day some spinning —  
11<sup>th</sup> Cloudy & like for rain cutting up  
on the path for fire wood Henry halting  
also getting leaves off Plant Beds at wagon  
Went to Mrs. McCullough's. Yesterday  
12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Cutting, Hilling, Plowing for corn  
15. Went to Court, cutting, Hilling & Plowing  
for corn began to lay off a little just  
way to Plant corn.

16<sup>th</sup> Apr 1850. Sowing off corn ground in this  
field, collecting & Hilling in new ground  
17<sup>th</sup> Cloudy & raining a little this morning  
Snowed some quite cool, very thing quite  
backward but not cool all the winter  
& spring to this time, but not much very cold  
weather, not much corn planted yet  
Lent me, to snow & cool. Snowed fast  
till after 12 o'clock, snow 3 or 4 inches  
deep & if it had not melted at first  
as it fell, the snow would have been near  
10 inches deep, quite cool yet.

Heavy snow to stop in evening after supper  
Had something for my Mr. also & Anna  
Selling corn from & till Spring  
18<sup>th</sup> APRIL 1850. Real winter's mor-  
ning. See snow to ground scarcely frozen  
where the snow has melted. Hailing now  
Snowing still & sowing

19. Freezing in the morning. Hauled up 1  
stack fodder also & fed Hilling about 10  
o'clock. Son & Henry went & commenced  
Planting corn in Johns field. & hauled till  
12 & then it rained till night nearly  
fixed the corn to keep the crows from  
pulling it up 4 spouts, Tar to 6 quarts corn  
the Tar put in 1 barrel. Boiling water &  
stirred & put on after let it stay 2  
minutes. Then roll it in plaster.

20. Raining this morning making  
Baskets & sewing hats But ing up lots  
21<sup>st</sup> Still cloudy & cool I went yesterday to  
Mr. McLeanworths & Mrs. Coleman's my wife gone  
to Mrs. Hunt, to day

22. Rainy & cool there has been very little  
fair weather since 20<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> March.  
Ground so soft we can't do but very little

- 1850 April 22<sup>nd</sup> Hauled rails for  
Lain Hauling house gone to our  
ground to Hail since they started it has  
Commenced raining - Cows has been gone  
23, Hailed a little last evening again  
Hauled rails for Lain, This morning  
Hilling & Hauling rails, it cleared off  
warm yesterday about 1 O'clock clouds  
up in evening start in the Thunder & the  
morning cloudy & like for some warm,  
Mrs Walkup sick. Cate has been  
2 days & Mrs She not at home  
24 Hilling & Hauling rails -  
Warm Weather yesterday -  
25. Began to plant corn again yesterday  
at 12 O'clock. Planted till night, laying  
off by horse coming with Harrow  
Rained last night, we began to plant  
this morning Rained so hard one stopped  
we have planted but little corn. Got  
ground very wet & has been so ever  
last March raining very often  
Snowed once very little corn planted in the  
Cut One calf yesterday & marked balance  
Real hot day & so like to be today  
Spinning making Baskets No 10.  
26 Deling Roots & Roots in new ground  
Beding fresh ground for tobacco's  
Cloudy like for rain plowed up early  
Weather Moderate at the time  
Put Hester Ann in Pasture <sup>Galley to day</sup> than to carry  
our cows to snowy parts every to keep  
27. Rained last night, this morning we are  
Deling Roots Roots, cleared off very poorly the

1850. April 27<sup>th</sup>. The ground is still very  
soft. We are bedding our second crop tobacco  
seed, every thing very late, cattle has  
very little to eat.

12 O'clock with 2 horses, and myself drif-  
fe planted nearly all our drill corn  
18<sup>th</sup> cloudy warm & little for rain <sup>about 6 inches</sup> went to the  
19<sup>th</sup> This morning quite cool & clear we are  
laying off our corn ground. Alice & Ann  
Hilling in new ground expect to plant  
corn at 12 o'clock. - flies eating tobacco  
plants putting plaster manure on them.

30 Planting corn in John's field began  
yesterday at 12 o'clock far side.  
May 1<sup>st</sup> we planting corn in John's field  
finished just before night, laying off  
fresh ground Hilling manure on  
tobacco patch & scattering <sup>tobacco</sup> plants  
Very cool and did flies eating plants  
Very much weather drying  
Started lambing traps kettle.

2<sup>nd</sup> Planting fresh ground <sup>corn</sup> <sup>soil to it</sup>  
fixing tobacco patch by garden  
Herrick covering new ground

Jacob Harto to school <sup>last night</sup>  
to Mrs Walkup, a blue forest

3<sup>rd</sup> Planted nearly 2 1/2 acres green  
in garden. Planted Cotton Kettle  
water melons circling the Kettle  
Henry & Dan bedding out spots  
for corn, finished planting corn  
yesterday except a late <sup>got 10 bush. to now</sup>  
Hilling & covering, got 10 bush. to now  
sewing oats this evening.

- 1- 1850 May 4<sup>th</sup> Finished this evening Raking  
up Bottoms for Corn, Lila flowering in oats  
Hilling up new ground & Culturing -  
The growing weather unseasoned & unusual  
Planted cotton yesterday little -
- M 5<sup>th</sup> Rained moderately nearly all night & to day  
showery warm weather my wife told you to water  
tobacco plants remarkably small for the time of year.
- C 6<sup>th</sup> Rained nearly all night again, 2 or 3 hundred clouds this morning rather  
cooler & cleared off. - Hailing out  
manure wagon & cart, finishing hilling.  
Plant beds & then for hilling a new  
ground.
- S 7<sup>th</sup> Started to Lynch with wagon & got there  
8<sup>th</sup> stayed till Thursday evening & got home  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Having rained twice very hard  
while we were gone roads very bad  
11 still raining we are Raking our  
second crop land & hilling not near done  
hilling new ground than all our  
plots to plant in corn & yet tobacco plants  
small & great mang have not finished  
planting corn some has not planted yet  
yet we have never seen such wet  
weather backward spring. Very cool indeed  
& thunder cloud last night. as cold as it may  
12<sup>th</sup> frost last night but can't tell yet what  
is bit by it, quite cool indeed  
13<sup>th</sup> No frost this morning. The cool, Raking  
fresh ground & hilling it. Had hilling  
out manure. Only thing looks well is  
wheat & oats, morning & Red has cows  
calves, lately - we have only 7 lambs to,

1850 May 14<sup>th</sup> Hilling on fresh ground  
Hilling Out Manure Wagon & Cart  
sat also to shop this morning with How  
Cloudy like for Rain, Markets have been  
15<sup>th</sup> began to <sup>Rain</sup> yesterday before 12 o'clock  
took down our good Tobacco & <sup>Cloudy</sup> Ra  
hard yesterday & last night, ground very  
Can do but little spinning weaving  
Shelling Corn this morning. Still Cloudy  
& cool such a hot Spring we have now  
hardly sun & cool too, every thing back  
ward -  
16<sup>th</sup> Halled up 1 Load Tobacco. Spilled up  
the then we went to Hilling on second  
Yard Land & 2 Hours in Corn field  
Saved Calf Sat at Stable in Oats -  
17<sup>th</sup> Halling out Manure this morning  
Wagon & Cart. Jane Flowng. Balance hilly  
in second land flying to fence to day  
18<sup>th</sup> Very cool this morning. Halling out  
manure, replanting drill Corn that we  
first planted. Hilling on new ground to day  
19<sup>th</sup> Cool day Smart Hail at Granfield W. A.  
20<sup>th</sup> White outside, our flock but fed at noon  
in lot by new Barn Flowng & scattering  
manure. Clear & cool this day  
It looks this morning like we are going to rain  
21<sup>st</sup> Our Corn has come up very bad &  
we are this day laying off & planting over  
next to Orchard & John's Spring -  
Planted Peas Pumpkins and Shelling  
beans went to Mr. Hunt, Richland's  
feel'd Henry Red Potatoes Patch on when  
Spring Branch & then went to Flowng corn  
22<sup>nd</sup> Rained & planted Corn, Planted Peas  
Irish Potatoes & replanted fresh ground,

- 1850; May 24<sup>th</sup> Had gone to Mc Cullum's  
Corn Hilling on New ground Henry  
Collaring with 2 Horses on new ground  
Plants very small yet, cool clear weather  
25<sup>th</sup> fine Rain last night finished Collaring  
new ground, Hilling there, expect to get  
done in one or two days more,  
Planted a few Tobacco Hills in new ground;  
Henry Plowing on Corn field up A.H.D.  
26. Went to Mr. McCullum's clear day  
27<sup>th</sup> Finished Hilling our new ground &  
the second yrs ground & very done all  
Finished at last Seaworthy Oats  
On Our flats this day I plowed  
Some in Corns  
28<sup>th</sup> Finishing Hilling this morning heavy  
Sheep Plowing Corn in John's field  
Clear & fair tolerable Warm this morning  
29<sup>th</sup> Collaring off all our new ground  
Tobacco Hills & planted a few in evening  
after Rain  
30<sup>th</sup> Planted about our new ground  
down took our Tobacco all in hand  
Jack the large Barn turned  
out 1 A.H.D. Plowing & weeding corn  
31<sup>th</sup> Plowing & weeding corn - John's field  
June 1<sup>st</sup> Plowing & weeding corn  
Quite cool this day wind from N.E.  
2<sup>nd</sup> A little cloudy & cool today -  
3<sup>rd</sup> Plowing 100 Corn by Bars John's spring  
2<sup>nd</sup> Fresh ground finishing drill corn hill  
next to Mr. Lewis' plowed some tobacco  
& working them & cotton out.

1850. Jan 4<sup>th</sup> Plowing cotton. See and time  
finishing cotton & tobacco. Had also & been  
gone to Spotsylvania to see the new  
5 Started to Lynchburg with wagon &  
while going to Wards Corn doing some  
little forenoon. Of cleaning oats & wheat  
gone 3<sup>½</sup> days back Saturday 11 o'clock  
Went to Moulton sold 500 lbs tobacco  
for \$8 - had a good trip weather  
cool & dry. Replanted tobacco this day  
& a little shower of rain in evening.  
10 Cleared off cool & windy. Plowing  
corn & weeding, Henry plowing  
Bottoms, gathered Turnip seed -  
11 Plowing & weeding Bottoms on branch  
& also plowing in Johns field  
Nights very cool, at this time,  
12<sup>th</sup> Finished flat land plowing & weeding  
10 day. Weeding in Johns field finished.  
Plowing Once & nearly finished.  
13 Sent Frederick to Mule this morning  
plowing & weeding corn in Johns field  
Sby Bay on left side nights very cool  
& weather dry & clear -  
14<sup>th</sup> Weeding corn & plowing left side  
path & next to Orchard in the evening  
it rained a little & we planted tobacco in  
the ground by Plant beds. It light rain  
15. Warm & a little cloudy this morning  
Planting tobacco on fresh ground & dry  
ground & expect to finish the new ground  
& nearly finish the second day, all night  
16<sup>th</sup> Started to Court about 10 a.m. & went  
to 17. Went to Court & I was quite sick. Got home  
by sun set, cut off second year old trees  
weeding corn & plowing. Killed hawks &  
shear. Met G. H.

- 1850 June 18<sup>th</sup> Mowing Corn & Flowering  
Mrs Mooley here, Harry White  
Married at ought to be Mr Fitzgerald  
19. Mowing Corn & Flowering finished  
Mowing Corn & Helling Lot by Garden  
for Tobacco & Helling up fresh  
20 Working on Garden Harrowing Corn  
finished prying Tobacco this day the  
21<sup>st</sup> Harrowing Corn finished Garden  
22<sup>nd</sup> Harrowing Corn chipping smoky  
Corn Flowering Secon the 2<sup>nd</sup> C.  
Rained in evening & we planted old  
Irish Potatoe Patch there by bee Keen  
in Tobacco late in evening  
23<sup>rd</sup> Warm day & springed rain a w  
24<sup>th</sup> Planting Tobacco this morning in  
Lot by Garden & fresh ground  
Warm Weather, about the time,  
25 Planting Tobacco in second yrs  
ground Plants from Wilsons  
26. gone after more plants for second  
yrs ground, cloudy & warm, —  
fine growing weather  
finished planting big seed yrs  
ground & Colleen spiller patch  
Thinning Cotton & planting new ground  
Tobacco this evening,  
Cutting fresh ground wheat the  
evening the  
27<sup>th</sup> Rained & little last night replanted  
new ground Tobacco cutting wheat  
Begant next ground Tobacco at 12 o'clock  
the same day also malva & Sticks, etc.

1850 Jan 28 & 29. Cutting Wheat & finished all  
except Lot on Branch Mrs Coleman. Set to work  
helped me Armstrong Cat about 3 hours  
Cloudy most all the week but no rain  
Rain here big an to plant Tobacco in  
Lots by Garden & kept on planting  
till we finished our fresh ground &  
we have planted about 60.000 hills  
20. still cloudy in morning of 1-29  
but some flowing corn & bloom corn  
July 1<sup>st</sup> the flowing corn is John feed'd to  
Wading down new ground to plant dry  
dry weather & hot. Went to Mr  
Higdon's yesterday after tea, she said  
there on creek smart rain in over-  
ing at house but not as new ground  
planting our lot by garden of tobacco.  
set out tomatoes & but beans  
2<sup>nd</sup> This morning found a young hog  
in the corn field dead can't tell  
what's the matter, bedding our lot for  
tobacco & wading new ground after  
scattering manure, windy & dry -  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wading down tobacco flowing corn  
4<sup>th</sup> Finished wading down new ground tobacco  
& flowing corn 2 times  
flowed & worked down potato patch.  
Finished cutting wheat last week -  
5. began to lay by corn feeding down  
big smoke. No wind today hot  
to clear & warm weather late this time very  
dry began to cat oats the morning  
this & rain all round except the west side

1850 July 8<sup>th</sup> Cutting Oats Clear lot  
Frances White carried her things down  
this morning H.C.C.  
9 Cutting Oats Jane flowing laying  
by Corn On Hill John field  
Hotter weather now for about  
5 or 6 weeks I can lay longer  
The sun looks like burning every thing  
Oats very strong also Wheat can't  
get tobacco to live on the hill  
little shown rain yesterday & we replanted  
part of our new early all the old  
by new Barn.

Mrs Coleman Jerry cut oats yester  
day other planted tobacco on the  
ficks, or replanted. This morning V.W.  
Armistead and Sam & Jerry went home  
10 Went to Mrs Coleman's hired a mow  
to Mr Roberts on Buchanan & also  
met to Mrs McCullocks Rained a  
fine Rain here this evening  
flowing on Johnson feed laying by  
& cleaning tobacco in seconds yes gone  
11 Planted Corn on new tobacco lot  
See Snappy & Simpkins Thompson  
Sewed Backhouse out of lot  
flowed up Yonah Lake  
Cloudy & like for Rain  
12 A few days ago say 17<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> I paid  
Dort S. C. Thompson 2. f 50 only \$100  
pay off Dort White as well and  
from Mr. McCullock Bond say above f 80

1850 July 19 We have been laying by Corn  
all the Creek, have had 2 or 3 pretty  
Raas & we are going to finish laying  
by with Flows tomorrow.

Worked Greens & Garden to day  
Selling blown down shocks of wheat  
Chopping & Thining Corn —

John Compton laid the day by Mr  
Miller & myself for Slabony & Kelley  
Mo. 2<sup>nd</sup> June last, committed to Sale

20<sup>th</sup> Flowering & Chopping & thinning corn  
Did not quite get done laying by  
21<sup>st</sup> My wife went to Mrs Harts

22<sup>nd</sup> A fine Rain this morning, we are  
drawing tobacco plants to replace our  
second year's ground from ground —  
fine weather for every thing growing

23 Rained nearly all day finished replacing  
tobacco & thinning corn & cleaning off the  
yard —

24 Set Hod to Mill 1 Bbl.

— Henry gone to Mrs Harts to get  
her corn home she left me —  
balance spinning ground too wet to work

25 Halling up wheat till Saturday  
evening when it rained Halling up  
Sweet Potato seed saved big Stock  
Turnip seed last week got from Hart's  
Cutting oats this morning & chopping  
part of new ground tobacco —  
Expect to see them fall to day

26 Started to Lynchburg took another side  
of Lynchburg but it rained every day but one  
got in from Doon Friday morning & come back  
to Mr Morris, & got home Saturday evening 3<sup>rd</sup> Aug

3<sup>rd</sup> Aug 1850 While we were down to Lexington  
Our folks finished sowing corn in lot Chopped  
out new ground, done up some fencing  
Then went to Cullings in new ground  
8<sup>th</sup> This week we have been Holling Raisins  
Holling up our second yrs land tobacco  
It has rained nearly every day the whole  
ground very hot, clear this morning the  
weather remarkably hot. Rains generally from  
North East. Thunder clouds  
worked, calling Holling Raisins shrubbing fresh field  
12<sup>th</sup> cloudy this morning, chopping in new ground  
Hot & Spring at new ground - Hail & rain  
lot tobacco back of garden  
13<sup>th</sup> Morning over tobacco clear & warm weather  
14<sup>th</sup> Flowed & filled up little second yrs ground  
16 Went to mill - 1 Bbl corn getting up apples  
17<sup>th</sup> Peeling apples for crew & drying  
Lilas child a girl born this morning about  
sun rise, night cool, weather dry & hot a day  
18<sup>th</sup> Cloudy all day & rained a little cool  
19<sup>th</sup> Working sowing sloping tobacco -  
Mr Whibley Mairland came Saturday evening  
We have not commenced yeling out our wheat  
20 Getting up apples & baking said little  
Hog plum or Turnips by Spring  
21 Mairing wheat had David & John mow.  
A Crows son Abram Mr Coleman setting  
22<sup>nd</sup> Finished my crop by 12 o'clock &  
then got out. Mr Neal moved the macture  
23<sup>rd</sup> Morning new ground tobacco & chopping  
it over this day  
24<sup>th</sup> Fine rain this evening  
24 Rained a little last night, fine weather  
Mr David John has been sick at Mr Lewis for some  
time & died the 22<sup>nd</sup> in night

1850. August 24<sup>th</sup> Chipping in our Ground - Henry  
flowing in big second yrs land. Tobacco  
25. Began to Rain last evening last night it turned  
down hard, all in the ground very wet, —  
26. Henry gone to Mile 2 Bcs orchard  
1 Bbl Corn, Hhds. & 2 Horses at Mr Lewis  
Balanced morning & Chipping new ground <sup>Tobacco</sup>  
Clear & little cool - Wrote to Cole  
Smith to get Harry to work for me  
27. Clear pretty day. morning Sowing & Topping  
new ground Tobacco, big second yrs  
Fed & my 2 Black mts to Mr Lewis yesterday  
Morning Frederick come back in evening from  
this morning  
28. Fed Hhds at Mr Lewis morning sowing <sup>Tobacco</sup>  
Topped all over yesterday do so  
29. Getting up & Piling apples this morning  
Fed Hhds at Mr Lewis about what day honey  
30. Piling up big second yrs land Tobacco  
31. Piling up do do do  
Cloudy & foggy this morning —  
Sept 1<sup>st</sup> Rained this evening Drained  
2. Rained very hard again last night  
Sent 1 Bbl Corn to Mr Hale by Mr Chapman  
Topping morning & sowing Tobacco in new ground  
3. Topping & sowing morning Tobacco, —  
4. Sent wagon & cart to saw mill & Inf mill  
1 Bbl Corn for meal 1 long bag for 1 bush black &  
for the slaves. Cloudy still for rain  
5. Sent yr Bbl Corn & got 1 Bbl meal & carried 2  
more bags, long & short Shd on for equal  
ed the other for flooring ~ 10 inches  
Cloudy still for rain finished piling up big  
second years the began to fall fodder  
in fresh ground corn, sowing new ground  
6<sup>th</sup> morning sowing new ground  
7<sup>th</sup> same broke fall off board old monsoon  
full Board - this day

- 1850 Sept 28<sup>th</sup> sent Harry to Saat Trip  
Bills & Bar Corn & 2 Dogs one for Squire  
A dog Hank the other for Bates into Sather  
Clear fine day Weather "warm"  
29<sup>th</sup> Went to Doct. C. E. Miller's Funeral & Hadden  
Here Day good many people  
30<sup>th</sup> Helling up tobacco from new ground  
4<sup>th</sup> prop Rdw had that full from own ground & so did  
Seth & Helling tobacco from fresh ground to  
new Barn got that own half full first calling  
Morning & successively over all we have  
Stacked up our blade fodder last night  
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Young tobacco Helling tops from  
ground to feed on, morning & successively  
Calling Bulk to day where we went to stack  
3<sup>rd</sup> finishing young Barn & put on new  
Barn clear & cool this day  
4<sup>th</sup> Calling over tobacco again -  
5 Helling rails poles & forks for stack from  
Stacked Bulk wheat digging Irish Isletas H. C.  
H. C.  
7<sup>th</sup> Calling tobacco stacking tops pulling  
late fodder, Helling up tobacco H. C.  
10<sup>th</sup> Carried to M. Lewis to stack  
Hanging tobacco young fodder &  
Helling up tobacco about this time  
finished calling tobacco yesterday  
Clear & warm at this time  
22<sup>nd</sup> have been cutting tobacco, been to Sympy with  
a load of wheat H. C. H. C. since the 10<sup>th</sup> etc.  
now clear & fine weather, went to Comt Stage 2 days  
23 Harry came here Monday morning & fed most  
of H. C. H. C. in his place - getting plenty frost  
of Kafirs for Harry House began to throw down  
Hills in my second trip ground for wheat H. C.

1850 Oct 23 Hanging On last Tobaco

John came this morning & sent him to Mr. Hodnett to take Frederick's place. —  
I am to give Peter Coleman \$5 or \$6. a month <sup>for John</sup>  
Mr Lewis taken sick the 17<sup>th</sup> of this month had  
2 Dots Thompson & Mackup with him though  
10 days & died with gravel —  
On the 27<sup>th</sup> at one o'clock in night, he died  
without moving his hand or foot —

28<sup>th</sup> Buried this day a little after 12 o'clock

We are sowing wheat & Harry as at work  
On Henry's House & overseers — Henry  
is Helling Wood, weather clear & cool  
we have gathered about 20 bush. Corn  
out of fresh field

29 Sowing Wheat, going to raise <sup>Henry's</sup> House & overseers

30. Sowing Wheat & finished fresh ground this morning

Rained houses & sowing wheat laying around etc.

31. Digging Sweet Potatoes at work on House  
by beautiful weather about this time —

Nov 1<sup>st</sup> Harry still here fed Shoemaking

3 Plows sowing wheat, also & chaps chipping

down corn on Tobaco lot by top stalk

To sun, wheat there weather fair & mild

Henry gone to Mrs. Clemens to help raise corn house

to move sent Henry to mill this morning 4 bus.

Corn, & get my own shearing flock there & also wrote

an order for \$1.50 worth cheap shearing flock

fed Shoemaking, 3 plows sowing wheat

also getting out back wheat Harry laying

upper floor of overseers house cloudy &

like for rain this morning

John Coleman worked at Colo Smith's 2 weeks & 2 days

& 2 days for me making 3 cracks in all, fed Shoemaking

been sawing sheaf blocks to day late & far

spunny, also nothing leaving the H.C. —

- 1830 Sept 9<sup>th</sup> Rained in evening & I sloped over hill to our Barn by new Barn & then sloped as planned out.
- Wheat & shelled Corn raised nearly all night.
10. Morning Surveying sloping our tobacco  
Cloudy like for rain.
11. Pulled Hodder in John's field  
tree in old lot then finishing Hilling up lot  
by new Barn - trying at fodder a survey  
12. Sold Wm Waller A Pd Land supposed  
to be over 100 Acres to be surveyed.  
went to Mrs Hunts for off for three \$100. to  
be paid next June 1851 & the four re-  
lent on & 2 years for Balance, to be  
settled as soon as surveyed.
13. Surveying & leveling new ground  
Harrowing Barn there - H.C.
14. Sat to saw dried dragon & bent 2 logs  
15. Short both, to be sawed into squared Edged  
3 Bushels Wheat for negroes & the Bushels sent  
for flour, 1 Bushel of wheat got of W Neal  
who made 17. Bus. of Bushel of mine own Crop  
topped over new ground to day Surveyed & leveled it  
& covered up. Barn ourselves this day -
15. Rained in evening did not go to market
16. Rained in morning cleared off in evening  
Surveying & leveling tobacco at house something  
fed mother & leaves sheep - a few
17. Clear & cool Tying & Surveying tobacco  
Not hardly half done pulling Hodder yet  
& not cut a plant of tobacco -
- Pulling fodder in John's field -
18. Pulled fodder till evening & then so cloudy  
like for rain we stopped Surveyed some tobacco  
sloped down & cut fresh ground tops
19. Pulling fodder put sheep in lot the morning  
went to Mrs Clemons to see about her Bay stand still  
Clear & warm & my wife gone to W D Hunts  
a day or two ago went to Mrs Hunts

On 20<sup>th</sup> Sept 1850. Yesterday it rained & did not stop  
till sometime in the night. Most all of a frost  
we are caught in rain we have had. I never saw  
such a time about sawing Blade fodder in  
my life, we have not put up a stack yet  
I have none good & nearly done pulling  
the dampest fall I ever saw & also latter part  
of the summer — Clear this morning

Calling tops Henry carried in cart tobacco  
sticks to new ground from prize Barn.  
My wife did not get back last night.  
Cutting tops tying up & blade stacking  
to day clear put up 3 stacks blade, last night

23<sup>rd</sup> Clear morning — fur on tobacco —  
Began to Cut tobacco at mountain f. I then  
put up 4 or 5 stacks blade fodder except to put  
up several more to night in Johnson field,  
not quite done cutting tops in Johnson field have  
old meadow next to Orchard to put & cut 4<sup>th</sup> of it,  
4<sup>th</sup> to stack our blade fodder that's piled up  
finished cutting our new ground tobacco to day  
4<sup>th</sup> stack old upward of 1000 stacks there  
25. calling to day in little big second ground  
My wife Fleate gone to Mr Fitzgerald,  
26. Did not quite finished cutting our own  
finished this morning pulled down all our blade  
fodder to day clear warm weather  
on 27. calling tops & stacking them to day —

Henry gone to mill 1 long short log for  
flooring plank carried Jr 12<sup>th</sup> Corn & we  
have had the plank for the 1<sup>st</sup> long log we can  
but have got any the short ones yet —

28<sup>th</sup> Calling up apples for vinegar  
stacking tops tying up blade & finishing  
fodder to day except stacking  
tobacco bark as I skinned 2 bags to

- 1850 Nov 19<sup>th</sup> Helling up Corn Yesterday & to day  
I have just got from Mr. Miller for Rain -  
Nov 24<sup>th</sup> we have been getting up & Housing corn  
this week & not done getting where there was no  
wheat sown. Raised 2 bags to the bushel -  
John Lederman worked here this week making  
1 week more one month in all  
C Lila & Malissa Helen has Blanked this  
Winter Raening this evening -  
Nov 25. Sun to Mr Fitzgerald & Family White Tom,  
Perry. we are getting up our Corn & Helling  
Nov 26. Clear fine day -  
Cape Fitzgerald got foretaste out of salt on Monday  
Nov 30. Washed our Corn this morning Helling now  
Fed Shadewater Rain had last night  
made about 120. or 130 bushels raised  
warm weather about this time  
John Dan gone to Miss Expert to send Harry  
Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 1850 clear in morning cloudy in evening  
Went to Mrs. Coleman's & Mrs. Hart's -  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Owen came here to help about cornery  
Mr. Tucker came to shingle it cloudy all day  
3<sup>rd</sup> Both here shingling over his house  
4<sup>th</sup> very涼凉 Shingles cloudy all day -  
Frederick & Iebe Helling up stalks 2 days  
Balance Hanning out wheat & back wheat  
Made 123 bush. good wheat & 17 bush. broken told  
to be sent to Cape Gibbons Mill is 6<sup>th</sup> bushels good  
Wheat including Mr. Mols, nearly 1 bush. broken  
It has been raining & quite cool nearly  
all this week Thursday night Friday & Saturday  
it rained very hard indeed sheer cloudy  
Owen left yesterday evening  
Began to strip to barn in middle Barn -  
making up Barn Lin shelter to day -  
Building oversize stories coming about this time

Ho 1830 Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Building Ovens House chimney  
Halling Rocks heavy Oaks wood & Rocks about  
they have Henry making ladder this morning —  
weather more moderate than for several days  
I have been to Mrs McCullough's three or four times  
for nearly a month

14<sup>th</sup> Mr Hales Gilbert has been here this week  
building chimney to Ovens House worked 3 or 4 days  
gentle cool all the week gentle change  
& house, Halling Rocks one day to Henry's  
House —

15<sup>th</sup> Calling on our ground after killing 1 titel  
But 1/4 of our Hogs, feeding them up  
all about \$80. —

16<sup>th</sup> My Overseer John on for moving  
this day — calling on our ground P. Fitzgerald  
the weather, sent Mr. Latrucks gone to Mr.  
Bob of McFitzgerald some work for Ovens  
Bob paid back for his Crop of Tobacco for seed  
seeds to come for \$3.00 + by Idown  
20<sup>th</sup> Sent 20 bushels to cope Gilbert's Mill  
6 bushels good for my own & Mr. Neal 6 bushels  
of my own nearly 2 bush. for Mr. Neal  
Bush of Searan 3 bush. corn for meal  
for Ovens & for Henry

21<sup>st</sup> Rented to John D. Hunt our Oak Hill  
Plantation, for 5 years on following conditions  
He is to clear adjoining the field one 5 year to  
Thousand tobacco hills given in 1st year  
up all the fence outside take care of stores  
by Hotel take care of the horses & give me 25  
Dollars yearly due 25 Dec low each year & shall  
I sell the place & wish him to give if up  
under 3 years he is only to pay \$15 a year

22<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Latrucks gone to Mrs. Hunter's cloudy —

23<sup>rd</sup> Rained last night & came a fair Hurricane  
along here blown off 1 tobacco house roof rock  
tobacco in it blown down a good deal of fence  
walked in shelter very much —

- 1850 Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> Hauled Tobacco from fresh ground  
barn to my Barn, & packed it down to store  
Aug 24<sup>th</sup> Hauled heavy tree 12 o'clock then got  
up Cow shelter Rattle up manure &  
Waggon Cart Hauled wood all night  
Hired Coal, Killed 8 Hogs yesterday  
the 23<sup>rd</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> Stopped at home over my wife went to Mrs. Hays  
26<sup>th</sup> Went to see Mr. & Mrs. McCollum Tuesday Mrs. Hays  
Hired as School Companion - etc.  
27. Rode all day as School Comt. & finished  
28<sup>th</sup> Rainy this morning Moderate weather  
29<sup>th</sup> Cleared off Coal  
30. Hauled wood heat in new ground  
Aug Henry has been sick most one week  
Sept 31<sup>st</sup> Finished Thursday & Friday in Lehi  
getting lot of Indigent children as s. Companion  
Snowed last night we are shoveling Tobacco  
1851  
Jan 1<sup>st</sup> Cleared off Coal Shoveling Tobacco that came  
out of the House the top Blown off a fresh  
ground as expect to get done this to day -  
Went to Mrs. Clemens & Gates yesterday to be  
The snow is about two inches deep  
2<sup>nd</sup> Went Hd to Mill 5 Bushels wheat for chp  
the Bblg Corn for meal & 1/2 Bbl for Oats  
to get a Bag Cotton at Mill  
3<sup>rd</sup> Jim Mather cutting snow mainly gone  
Hauling wood for Mr. Neale to day with cart  
Written to Mr. Roach respecting Miss Mally Ann  
McCollum Land, wrote a Notice informing  
any persons from trapping on it suffering  
for Rent - or lease Hired the house & mountain  
11<sup>th</sup> Burning & finishing Plant Bed on  
Snow at 19 yds square calling upon  
2 more to burn next week -

- 1851 Jan 13<sup>rd</sup> Burning Plant Bed by new ground  
met to Dr. Neals - by one gone to West Chester  
Fine weather about the time -
- 14<sup>th</sup> Burnt Plant Bed at House & sowed it  
Kentucky Bull Fox Tobacco seed & White  
Mustard seed sowed in that, one  
The One below New ground Big Brille  
Flax & Mr. McCallum's East Mustard also  
Same Govt Tobacco seed sowed on mountain  
Fine weather this day going to have land  
Surveyed, for Mr. Waller Justice:
- 15 Went to David Johns sale lot 5 Boxes maple  
1 White 1 Wheat seed, White & Slaters -
- 20<sup>th</sup> been cutting on new ground wagons &  
best Halled Wood Saturday, Thursday & Friday  
Howard Tobias lot the nearly done grubbing  
Henry sick in house with jaw aches etc  
24 Sold to John D. Hunt a tract of land  
& adjoining him containing 195 acres, on or off  
payable in 1, 2 & 3 years from the  
day first east paid & carriage to Hareys  
Cove Sheds 10c for said land rating the carriage  
Hareys at 1.90 making \$1.90. for the land  
195 acres on or off right the made of Bond  
given shortly " for lot given him for 1c a ft of  
soil per ft cutting & moving Hareys lot
- 27 As pretty weather as I ever saw the  
time in year flowing Helling on new  
28 took down some tobacco in forge house  
no not much chord of windy flood the morning  
29 quite cool windy weather cutting flowing  
30 cut flow wagon best Helling wood cutting  
Tremendous cool at the time I found -
- 31 The cold Helling rails around mountain field  
fresh field this day flea breaking place  
Cutting on new ground overseen broke his ax  
Feb 1<sup>st</sup> Very cold, weather, cutting on new ground  
Henry Helling rails of wood had gone to Mill to  
Bldg which for us field for flow of 130' continuous of 130' for dinner

- 1851 Feb 1<sup>st</sup> let Mr James Lewis have 1  
 Hank 14 feet long 12 inches wide & 2 lbs Bark  
 Edged 17. inches wide 511 feet long to make  
 Negro man Isaacs Coffin who died this morning  
 Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> Raining this morning striped tobacco awhile  
 & then on halled leaves all day after  
 Weather more moderate had 40° - very cold day  
 15<sup>th</sup> Lambs to this day lost only one —  
 16<sup>th</sup> Calling in new ground all hand yesterday or  
 day before halled Shucks Hodder & Oats in  
 beautiful weather to day —  
 17<sup>th</sup> Plowing in fresh field saw also in our ground  
 Henry Oversee did & myself went to Rose School House  
 18<sup>th</sup> Henry gone to Mr Parker Lewis's to Roll Log  
 19<sup>th</sup> Dr. Johnson gone to School House  
 Sam also & Jordan gone to new ground —  
 20<sup>th</sup> Weather weather warm —  
 21<sup>st</sup> Went to Meeting tolerable good day  
 10. Raining a little, taking down tobacco  
 Stripping in Middle Barn —  
 Rainy evening J. W. H. & late you mother home  
 Weather Walk said you to bring home home  
 Made John & Hunt a bed for Sam in  
 Woodend here cleaning & fixing. Tucky dark  
 for which I gave her 1 ft — Rolling hard  
 back down all our tobacco to strip  
 13<sup>th</sup> Plowing & Malling, began to make yesterday  
 Yesterday went to Mrs Melville's set up  
 14<sup>th</sup> Hunt went to Chalk Level  
 15<sup>th</sup> Hunt gone to Mill 1 Bbl Corn 1 Bbl Wheat  
 16<sup>th</sup> We are stripping tobacco in Middle Barn. Bet  
 Bull calf came 13<sup>th</sup> 10 Lambs to this time last  
 raining this morning  
 The 17<sup>th</sup> went to finish school house carl did with  
 did not finish & give. Duke Jack 9<sup>th</sup> Grisby 9<sup>th</sup>  
 hundred 1/6 working 50¢ in all to finish cleaning 12<sup>th</sup>  
 15<sup>th</sup> Rained stripping tobacco halled out sheep  
 16<sup>th</sup> Bkt E. Melville's funeral & burial

- 17<sup>th</sup> Went to Court - cold day our folks flowing  
1 Horse balanced on new ground
- 18<sup>th</sup> Halling wood with Cart we 12 o'clock  
Malling in new ground for weather
- 19<sup>th</sup> Malling Lila flowing - Burning Bush  
H. abt & Jordan clearing up on mountain field
- 20<sup>th</sup> Halling wood Waggon Street. with waggon  
myself Henry gone to John Henry to Roll logs.  
Balance malling H. H.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Raining this morning Stoping tobacco  
in Pearly Barn trying to do thru A day
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Rainy tremendous hard last evening finished  
Stoping in pearly Barn closed off in night  
Sent to Mill 10 Bushels Wheat for flour!  
Turn 2000 bushels for flour & 1 barrel corn  
for overseer also
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Moderate weather, malling & shubing mountain field  
Same sick been complainly for several days
- 24<sup>th</sup> Malling shubing & flowing for corn
- 25<sup>th</sup> Same got out & Lila flowing Balance  
in calling old logs put top on Fresh ground Barn
- 26<sup>th</sup> Rolled logs had 2 companies nearly  
finished, had a fine day clear & warm
- 27<sup>th</sup> Sent Henry to Mrs. Coleman to Roll logs
- 28<sup>th</sup> Sent Henry to Stoney point Barn  
Sam & Lila flowing at Stoney point Barn  
Clearing out fence Roll in new ground
- Stee moderate weather warm H.
- March 1<sup>st</sup> Overseer gone to Cape Rely goods quantity  
up to Roll logs making new ground fence, ground  
very wet Henry hacking out wood & rails round new  
ground & plant Bed man to it make cool
- Miller gone & only one snow the 1<sup>st</sup>  
Sat 1<sup>st</sup> in the whole winter of 1850 & 51
- March 2<sup>nd</sup> tolerable day for beginning of spring
- my wife Isaberry Sally gone to Mrs. Coleman,  
late has been at Mr. Fitzgerald's about 3 weeks  
much wet Monday
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> Henry gone to Mrs. Bates to Roll logs
- March 4<sup>th</sup> Henry gone to Mill to 13 bushels corn & 13 bushels wheat  
for choph flowing at Stoney point Hail moderate

- 1851 March 4<sup>th</sup> Plowing in Fresh field. See p  
Our Logs Heaps on fire we had work with  
the fire in oak oak that part where had to  
the Heaps fire from mother cloudy day  
5 Finished plowing fresh field & got to new  
field this evening, Hailing Rail at new  
ground cutting logs in new ground Hail  
6 March Plowing with 2 Horses in the  
Mountain field Ted & also haled up the  
Straw Shucks & load down on sleds over seas  
Set up Hail Jane cutting in new ground  
Barn Logs Jordan & Sonny & burning Brush  
7<sup>th</sup> Rained a little yesterday & all last night  
had to stay Stopping tobacco in new Barn  
Reved over our plant bed, about the  
8<sup>th</sup> Stopping tobacco in new Barn <sup>on Saturday</sup>  
9<sup>th</sup> Went to Harmony, Coverfull freshet off  
10. Set our Logs Heaps on fire Hailing M.  
11 Hreading out Oats Hailing Rail set  
over seas street the Burning up by heaps  
Hail & fire one other for time  
12 Working on Road etc & Jan cutting Barn  
also Jordan & Sonny cleaning up - new ground  
from day began to two oats in John's field - Cover  
Began to prize Logs Lila Kelly & Sonny &  
Beautiful day for prizing &  
14 Seiving Oats, Hailing out wood rails  
out of new ground, Broke Lester Ann  
Hiram to plow this muk. Both plow very well  
most done prizing our Log Hail they day  
15<sup>th</sup> same work as on the 14<sup>th</sup> fine weather  
16<sup>th</sup> Rained hard last night my wife gone to Mr. Hunt  
sent for late who has been at W. City good fine  
weather. Tom fort has not been at home much since  
last Christmas, fine warm day fair —  
Sund 11 Bushels the day

1851 March 18<sup>th</sup> Rained last night & yesterday  
Finished striping our tobacco. This day  
gone to meet Mr. Billy Corn. Went  
Henry Halling wood balanced running.  
Log traps cloudy & rainy this morning  
72<sup>nd</sup> Began to Cultivate new ground yesterday  
Sowing oats in Johns field. Rained & stopped him  
they then shelled some corn cleaned out stable, &  
hulled barley & silk wrought flax —  
23<sup>rd</sup> Rainy & haled again ground very wet  
24<sup>th</sup> Sent Jordan to mine with 2 Bar wheel  
25<sup>th</sup> Ted Halling wood balanced at work at  
the new ground finishing \$6 - \$6 —

25<sup>th</sup> March took part of meat this morning  
as follows 21 Steaks in Pds {  
11 Mending in Do } 2 Hams 2 steaks  
7 Shoulders in Do } 21 Sowling steaks  
Mar. 25 39 lbs put up } 4 lbs. in Box

Cultivating in new ground Culturing  
Heavy running boards for Barn, finishing &  
start to Sowing to day at 12 o'clock, —  
April 1<sup>st</sup> fine 25<sup>th</sup> we have been to Sowing soil  
Lug NHC 16<sup>th</sup> been fencing Cultivating in new  
ground, no rain since 25<sup>th</sup> March —

Yester day we took down our short tobacco  
Planting our bush potatoed this day

Sowing oats in Johns field cloudy &  
the very warm & warm weather —

2<sup>nd</sup> Rainy this day Began to Hill in new ground  
Sowing oats next to Orchard, sun upward of

40 Bushels to day. See cloudy & warm

8<sup>th</sup> Sowed about 45 Bushels in all.  
3<sup>rd</sup> finished sowing at 12 o'clock. Running for corn  
Mountain field & at stony point

3 or 4 hours hill in new ground sowing culturing  
Turns cool & like for rain — 10 AM 10 C —

4<sup>th</sup> Running for corn 6 hrs. Hiling in new ground with  
little Jordan. Sowing corn in entire —  
5<sup>th</sup> Henry gone to shot to carry box for dragon to  
be ready & horses balanced clearing up balanced of  
new ground, malling Hilly

- 1851 April 10<sup>th</sup> Have been collecting & Hilling  
Hilling rails at Stony Point & making up to  
several flowing Cotton patches etc. Rained  
Tuesday - (Hester, Helena) - yesterday &c,
- 11<sup>th</sup> Seeding finished at Stony Point & flowing  
for Corn three miles <sup>to</sup> ~~to~~ miles 13 & 14  
walked to <sup>the</sup> ~~the~~ stone or gravelly down  
12<sup>th</sup> Left off to plant Corn following in  
13<sup>th</sup> Rainy & Hilling a little very cool  
14<sup>th</sup> Carried sheep to Stony Point ground very wet  
Morning late making & etc. fencing about house  
Made Bridge & nothing on the hill to end  
Piled our manure first last week -  
15<sup>th</sup> Sowed flax planted <sup>but</sup> Potato got 2 & 1/2 lbs  
Plowed up Hard Spots on Hill & in the  
evening began to plant Corn at Stony Point  
16<sup>th</sup> Planting Corn at Stony Point again -  
& ground so wet we can't finish there planting  
in fresh field - quite cool. wisher avoided  
17<sup>th</sup> Hilling on our ground & then getting Corn  
18<sup>th</sup> Planting Corn in clean field but Stony Point  
Firmin Hilling 2 loads of manure to Stony  
Mother still looks unwell but cloudy  
Nearly done planting corn at Mrs. McClellan's  
19<sup>th</sup> Planting Corn at Stony Point but Mountain  
field & flushed at both places. Planting this  
evening set at home by Granary. Planting  
maps Pumpkins dimpling etc. left corner labor  
Gates for Peas. Planting Soaker Peas -  
cleared off not much Rain greater moderate  
we were got nearly done <sup>Planting</sup> about ~~that~~ this evening except some  
wet spots on fresh ground Ole McHe
- Planted nearly 4 Bushels Corn
- 21<sup>st</sup> Very cool wind <sup>100 to 120</sup> W.C. for 2 days just before  
yesterday wind shifted & the frost to hurt last night  
but don't tell how it will be to night -  
done nearly planting Corn about Potato Patch  
at Mrs. McClellan's - grown Hesper 3 stems  
22<sup>nd</sup> Turned out they are wrong 4 young Hesper 2nd  
the hill, but sack Red Rose 14 in all.

1851 April 22<sup>nd</sup> Stalling wood cart & wagon  
clearing up fresh ground on mountain  
no frost to hurt any thing this morning

23. Hilling in new ground from 10 o'clock  
till night, sent to mill this morning  
1/2 bush corn. Hilling in new ground  
Henry going to saw oats where we intended for  
flax & then break some land which has  
been too wet for corn. Coverer song self  
making draw bars <sup>1/2</sup>. making draw bars  
weather more moderate no rains yet,  
Tobacco other <sup>other</sup> things

24<sup>th</sup> Went to Mrs. McClellan's Saturday.  
Hilling Colting finished sawing oats on bank  
where we intended to put flax Harrowing corn  
set up one tobacco stalk for measure.

25. Colting & Hilling of corn, prizing  
our second rate tobacco, fine weather

26<sup>th</sup> Harrowing corn colting. Hilling & cutting  
ground setting up bars. Manured plants bed

Weather very dry & warm - about the time

27<sup>th</sup> went to market at St. Andrews, clear & dry

28<sup>th</sup> sent to Mrs. Coleman's for cow hide & calf

Colting & hillings in new ground, & then  
Harrowing. Clear & cool weather

29<sup>th</sup> Finished harrowing mountain field cutting

& hillings in new ground

30 Planted 25 acres grass in our garden

Prizing our seeds rates tobacco

- fine rain this evening taking down

tobacco at Mrs. McClellan's packing. Next

May see droving tobacco from hillings corn

St. Shoemaking St. Very cold, freezing

Hilling rails more than on the day

31. Haying cotton & tea ground, Colting

Hilling in new ground weather very cold

Hilling cotton. Was maturing Calumbia

Planting & seed St. - no more cold

3<sup>rd</sup> Colting & cutting in new ground, went to

Henry Colting St. and year may ground

1851 May 3<sup>rd</sup> Sod tied up our young Steers  
This evening to sleep Hall cut manure  
4<sup>th</sup> Sunday it rained all day, moderately  
5<sup>th</sup> Rained all night & wind blew hard & high  
Wind cool indeed wind from N E.  
Raining all day nearly freezing Tobacco  
Skinning mending shoes & some bottoming chair  
We are in evening managing our place  
Sheer very cool indeed.  
1<sup>st</sup> Freezing shot Tobacco, freezing Helling Rate,  
Yesterday its day from mountain field 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Some frost this morning feed scuffed & Hay;  
Frederick goes to Mill this morning to 3<sup>rd</sup> Bolts  
Barrel, sent 82 Bushels there making only  
8 went to Mrs. Mc. yesterday to gather Colander  
Helling out manure finished early  
Helling our new ground on mountain  
Helling & Helling at fresh ground  
9<sup>th</sup> Coldering & Helling at fresh ground  
10<sup>th</sup> J. P. Lucy returned the plank bat  
hewn in Feb last — a House  
being to build our Tobacco this morning put at  
Helling our second Rate  
Freezing our second Rate  
10<sup>th</sup> Sent Wagon to Shop began yesterday to hew  
on second yrs Tobacco land Coldering &  
Helling out second rate the Tobacco  
Warm fine weather,  
13<sup>th</sup> from 10<sup>th</sup> to this time took down one good  
Tobacco Monday morning Coldering second yrs  
ground, going to replant corn on a day or two.  
Fine growing weather at this time very warm  
from 13<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> May Helling made up  
19<sup>th</sup> to Squire Henry's House Planting some  
Tobacco in lot by forge barn finishing  
Helling out manure Henry Coldering tobacco  
fresh ground at mountain taken out  
to use for Mr. Dossen 5 Gallons molasses of

1851 May 26<sup>th</sup> Finished Hilling at Fresh ground  
On Mountain & Collected the rest at new ground  
began to Plow in Corn at Home —  
last week the week killed out Irish Potatoes  
& to day planted some Tomatoes in lot by  
my Barn & some in Fresh ground perhaps  
6.8 or 10.000 Hects, a very dry & hot

27<sup>th</sup> Plowing in Corn & Planting Tobacco  
at Fresh ground most moist place, this morning  
Expected to begin to weed this morning  
or sometime to day, very warm & dry

28<sup>th</sup> Sunday & Saturday weeding Corn in lot at Home  
the mount to mountain or fresh field, weather kind  
very cool Sunday night, has been ever since  
Sheared Mrs McCallum's Sheep on Friday —

Weeding Corn on fresh ground —  
Cloudy & like for rain every day —  
29<sup>th</sup> Weather more moderate still a little cloudy  
Planted Peas between Corn on fresh ground  
This day Weeding Corn on fresh ground & then  
Weeding Corn 16 at Mrs McCallum's & I go there  
from time to time three times a month

28<sup>th</sup> Plowing Monday mountain field Corn  
this day. Course like again she has on  
has been for a week or two back —

29<sup>th</sup> Plowed Second yrs ground Raking stones  
began to bed in lot by new house.  
30. Bedding & Planting lot by new house  
Cloudy like for Rain did not finish  
Planting the lot back of garden.

June 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday not much Rain & quite cool,  
Cleared off & fair & cold —  
2.0. Planted lot tobacco by own hand the ground  
very dry hard mud soon became dry & killed  
up little patch by my Barn a little rain  
Sheared Sheep the 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1851 —

4<sup>th</sup> Plowing & Weeding mountain field Corn & dry  
fresh ground, weather warm —

- 1851 Planted watermelons, Cucumber and  
straps in lots of tobacco leaves by hand  
Plowing & weeding corn at Stony Point  
Bushed oats yesterday but did not get much  
killed calf 2 days old, lost 2 hogs too  
It has finished planting tobacco at Mrs.  
McClurk's this day weeding potatoe lot down  
the plowing & weeding corn at Stony Point  
Killed Lamb - weather clear & warm  
W. Lewis's funeral, they day is it  
for plowing & weeding corn at Stony  
Point. have been to Mrs. McClurk's 3 times  
this week, they are plowing & harrowing &  
weeding out this way on big fields  
7 PM Rain last night replanting tobacco, this  
morning did not get done - in fresh ground  
at mountain field warm for mother  
I to have not quite done one day corn, a little  
shower of rain last night all gone now  
did not get replanting tobacco however  
out from home - clear & warm, a wednesday  
10<sup>th</sup> finished to day about 12 o'clock weeding corn  
finished weeding & plowing potatoe lot down  
& greens, etc, working at Oivens, Howard  
Mrs. McClurk's Kitchen burnt down  
Sunday morning & the same 1851 nearly  
Henry gone to shop after new craggon  
to Mrs. Palmetto after white leather material  
11 Piping good tobacco Henry Harrowing in  
in corn by granary washing wool began to  
mud down tobacco in new lot by pipe Barn  
Henry & Jane Harrowing in evening at Mountain  
field  
12 Piping lot tobacco & expect to finish to day  
Harrowing in corn & plowing & weeding tobacco  
like with mother Malinda  
Cloudy like for rain

1857

June 15<sup>th</sup> to Day went to Mrs. McCullorts, not done mending there yet. a fine Rain by day about 12 O'clock. Capt Fitzgerald stayed looking at Mr. Sand. Fitzgerald said when Crows begin Replanting tobacco here they evening -

Fresh ground on Mountain <sup>on the</sup> morning 14<sup>th</sup> Replanting tobacco this morning for growing the Row on corn at stone pit ground the

Plowing up ~~of~~ <sup>of</sup> planting turnip ditch with plowing bee rabbit & turnip ditch cutting rice at Mrs. McCullorts, has not finished laying by first planting bush tobacco plowing a cow not quite done mending corn at Mrs. McCullorts no rain there Friday, quite cool this evening 10<sup>th</sup> quite cool clear tea gone to Herring

15<sup>th</sup> A little shower this evening went to court minding down lots of tobacco - plowing at stone pit - He stalled up stack of Godder this morning Red Suck & Rose had eaten plates 1.14<sup>th</sup>

Memorandum of an Agreement made with Geo Collier 1<sup>st</sup> July 1857 Sun - 1857 to pay I see Mrs Sarah or Colliers old Bar and to McClellan for forty Dollars, the said Geo has already agreed to repair a wagon for said S. W. Collier for \$14. making a large wagon body, or huck body is for Mrs E. McCullort from Mr. for ~~for~~ <sup>the</sup> black a body for said Gray for 1.50, making 25.50 worth off work & get more work if possible for said bottom on a/c said trade, & whatever balance on the Due's of the \$40 the said Geo Collier is to pay said Sarah or Collier at Christmas or November - very cold at the time

18<sup>th</sup> went to Mrs. McCullorts, finished mending corn etc up the farm & we cut little lot wheat, plowing tobacco & working out turnip patches the very cool & wet -

- 1851 June 18<sup>th</sup> Headed flowing over Corn Second time  
here & began to lay by Mountain field this evening  
19<sup>th</sup> Laying by Mountain field, weeding over  
Tobacco in new ground & expect to finish this to  
day & lots is also done, then for fresh ground  
Very Cool & Very dry weather, Colera has hardly  
been here  
20<sup>th</sup> Finished laying by Mountain field & most  
of fresh ground, finished weeding Tobacco the  
same day In 1851, laying by with plows or hoes by Henry  
Broke new Waggon this morning first he never  
hitched the horses to it & one salt & back to the Liver  
Yates, to make a new coupling hole & first at 10 AM  
22<sup>nd</sup> Cloudy & turned rain - in & continued all  
23<sup>rd</sup> A little shower Rained here this night  
24<sup>th</sup> Replanted a little Tobacco smelt very  
none at Mrs McCullough's, cutting wheat  
expect to finish to day here but Mrs McCullough  
25<sup>th</sup> too, sorry crop tho grows good -  
Weather extremely dry & now hot  
Henry complaining with his rheas & flowing  
here by house in Corn & -  
26<sup>th</sup> sent Captain Day for wagon & lime for  
for bodies. Told Henry to bring back wagon  
frame for Yates & Oak log to be sawed the  
larches by 4<sup>th</sup> for Harness 10<sup>th</sup> - 2 Bals Corn  
Bushes & 2 Bushels of oak log & 1 Bag  
at Mill take 1st. Hand Chisel & Mallet  
Cleaning Out Treating yard & Chopping  
Corn ourselves making cut gate etc  
27<sup>th</sup> sent another lime for to saw mill got  
Hank brok bark 2 Bals meal mother chiv  
Hot & Dry. Hauling up Corn & flowing fast  
29<sup>th</sup> in evening a little shower about  
30<sup>th</sup> Hauling up wheat to day about 100 bushels  
Hester got fistula dogan her shot hole  
in aged & some how other chiv today  
Chopping over fresh ground. Corn about the end

1857 Clear & Dry & Hot June 30 1857 —

30<sup>th</sup> Sun In evening about night pretty Rain the ground not wet yet.

July 1<sup>st</sup> 1857 Replanting Tobaccos this in second year ground

Finished hauling up wheat last evening just before the rain came - clear & warm

Wrote to Mr. W. C. & Carlisle Hester to Mr. Lewis Sonny, 2<sup>nd</sup> July, sent by Henry Another Log for oreaster boarding or squared edge plank - to Ray County

Tobaccony back the corners from Carlisle road plowing corn & chopping out corn, finished

yesterday replanting own Tobaccos —

Clear & a little cool.

Went to Mrs. McCullough's again made a bargain with C. W. Atherton to be her overseer 1852

Finished replanting Tobaccos about 12 o'clock finished between the morning getting up wheat stack, saw

Plowing up Lee Ladd's land plowing land,

3<sup>rd</sup> Our fields plowing at Stony point balanced cutting oats this morning, clear & hot

Plowing in corn at Mrs. McElroy's, once cut oats there tomorrow,

by my wife Kate & I will go to Mrs. Hester

& I am going to Mrs. Hester's to day —

4<sup>th</sup> wrote to my Father Uncle F. Bosley Hester

Lee & Ladd's plowing at Stony point balanced cutting oats clear & dry - a little cool —

5. sun crook & same weather

Cutting oats at Mrs. McCullough's yesterday & today

12<sup>th</sup> Have been to Lyman the Past Doctor

Cat Oat sized big corn Hauling up corn from new ground & piled up some Potatoes fine

Showers Rain last night - replanting Tobaccos to day in fresh ground

Hauling oats getting up hay & plowing

15<sup>th</sup> stacking oats clear & dry. very dry

at Stony point clear & dry. very dry

Stacks oats put up toed a little tobacco in

17<sup>th</sup> Dry & hot finished plowing corn & hollow by

water hauling up new ground Tobaccos

- 1857 July 18<sup>th</sup> Hilling up New Ground Tobacco  
Harrowing Lots Tobacco - Dug & Harrowed  
19<sup>th</sup> Harrowing & Hilling up Lots of Tobacco, still by  
night. Lots went to Mr. McElroy 18<sup>th</sup> to see Master.  
Sent J. D. to mill 2 ears, if from for me for dinner  
J. also 3 bushels wheat for dinner  
20, 21 & 22<sup>nd</sup> Clear & dry & nights a little cool  
23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> Harrowing & Hilling up fresh ground or winter  
Sent more wags for to 5 hop again & Mrs. Colley, how  
Going to day to Mr. McElroy to Grange & keep on the  
route in about machine at Yale.  
25<sup>th</sup> Threshing what finished this day - Soil Hitter  
Machine - Hay & Dry - going to thresh at Mrs.  
McCallum's, Kealls Machine  
26<sup>th</sup> going to carry the machine to Crow Mille  
the morning J. D. sick yesterday & done nothing  
Chopoy - Crow finished Hilling up Tobacco one  
27<sup>th</sup> Hilling Rock to build chimney to house  
Atome Steel cloudy like for Rain, may be  
Blew hard, Yes we do Sunday  
Matthew Child a Girl was born Thursday  
morning before day break say just after  
midnight, On the 24<sup>th</sup> July 1857  
29<sup>th</sup> went to Colo. Smith's Plantation & to Mrs. McCallum  
a little shower rain after I got home  
The night it rained again smartly, say on the 30<sup>th</sup> a little  
Cloudy like for more rain, We are  
Replanting our 2 lots of fresh ground  
to day - plants from Capt. Fitzjones quarter  
31<sup>st</sup> Replanting in second of my ground mainly  
done mill yet done soon this morning  
at Five Rain last night, still cloudy,  
J. D. Owen went to Colo. Ackerson's to get an orange  
plant this day -  
Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> now gone to Mr. Wilson's mainly on some business  
11<sup>th</sup> now gone to Wm. Parker, I don't know what for  
Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> Owen gone to Logans Woods -

1857 Aug 1<sup>st</sup> Fine Weather, Shrubbery Corn Land  
Henry toped Poplars, etc. etc. the day

2<sup>nd</sup> Haying grass yard, morning fresh good  
Tobacco. Then Shrubbery Haying & Seeding  
gate Post & Halling soon up from mountain  
of some sort, Then Cloudy like for Rain  
4<sup>th</sup> Hauled Shrubbery Corn Land & sowed  
Buck Wheat the day or rather 3<sup>rd</sup>

5<sup>th</sup> Began to dig the House in October first  
and a rain fell one last night, more  
too late for Corn Tobacco too, the wheat coming  
out very much still cloudy like for Rain

6<sup>th</sup> Went to Mrs. Mc. Mrs. Collier too, furnished  
digging the House Hauled Gate Gate Post  
for House lot Rake &

7<sup>th</sup> My wife gone to Miss. & John D. Hunt put  
up gate at House lot, covering Tobacco  
Barn in fast ground & working new ground to  
Halling Soil for the houses Haying

11<sup>th</sup> Chopping & Helling up new ground Tobacco  
& Haying lot, about House, Cloudy little  
for Rain. Very warm weather you know  
12<sup>th</sup> We had a fine rain first off last week  
very thing has improved, corn has come out very well  
also tobacco, we have during the past week  
plowed on tobacco some worked this lot back of  
garden around & worked over & toped our  
tobacco & gone to meeting, same has gone  
every day for a week yesterday & the  
meeting still continues, 4 or 5 professed  
Heb. 10. this day is clear & fair, & warm

19<sup>th</sup> A fine rain last night, we are going to  
raise a Barn getting shabs. etc. Chopping in the  
new ground, meeting still going at S. Stone  
4 or five more professed

20<sup>th</sup> Rained nearly all day yesterday last night  
still continues to rain this morning money being  
earns gone to Miss. 1 130<sup>th</sup> Corn Ent. H. J. holding the  
to Mrs. McColley to raise barn raised & cleaned them well come to  
the end - year 101 - 102

1856 Aug 22<sup>nd</sup> Still cloudy like for Rain  
Rained all day. Yesterday got out  
1. was McCullocks Tobacco house &  
2. made Baskets yesterday & Spring  
3. to day Raining. Slabs & getting Timber down  
4. Surveying new ground tobacco, — & going to  
5. go over where growing Hassard's —  
6. 22<sup>nd</sup> Started to the Association at ten AM  
7. meeting House Friday Saturday Monday & Friday  
8. Rained nearly all the time & scarcely finished  
9. the business of the Association, & came home  
10. about 12 o'clock Monday night  
11. 23<sup>rd</sup> Still Raining we have been Spring  
12. making Baskets &c &c yesterday & today  
13. & being working on Road about Spring down  
14. Cut his foot last Friday been in the house  
15. nearly ever since, &c — going to raise Barn  
16. Give up to Cole Kirby at Laurel home  
17. of a Road on John S. Bently & his Bro  
18. get for \$10 — due several years ago, to have  
19. collected by Mr. D. Glass — constable  
20. 24<sup>th</sup> Sent 2 Hds to Mrs. McCullocks to raise  
21. tobacco House, clear & cool, comfortable  
22. Spring & healing front. etc etc  
23. "We own made Jerry Valley shoes —  
24. 28. Morning Surveying & opening tobacco, fixing  
25. to go to raise House tomorrow. Went to  
26. City for Lucy Ann & my wife went to Mrs. Hart's  
27. 29. Ourselves has gone to mill to get Corn &  
28. Mr. Miller. I sent 3 Bushels wheat got to be ground  
29.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of our own wheat for flour, & 1 barrel corn  
for our self. We finished the Barn yesterday  
2. Corn went & it is & faced up the door  
3. Opening & surveying & working out fresh ground  
4. Clear & cool this morning etc

1857  
Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> to my wife going to Mr. Felt's world to day  
I made a Bargain with a Johnson Farmer  
to do Carpentry work for me getting singly  
of young carriage the House at 3<sup>d</sup> per day  
Sept 1<sup>st</sup> Clear & Warm finished the day working  
on fresh ground tobacco, Yelling & Mowing &  
Scouring too & the evening working out garden  
Heavy working all day on our Barn -  
never made Jacobs shoe & also last  
week galleries & doors — —

3<sup>rd</sup> began to feed fodder a little yesterday  
Daubing & painting 13 acres, Owen Jones -  
Dick Clear & fair went this way to make 1 P.M. 100  
4 cloudy slate for Barn, Henry in house got  
Yelling & from 5 to 8 hours morning & Scouring  
over at the time - Rev. Ian going to Westmore  
to day after state of his health Sunday.

7<sup>th</sup> Fixing to day, scaffolds drawing shovels  
going to Maekin attending to fodder &c  
Mrs. Mcle. Mol Wright goes 43<sup>rd</sup> cloudy  
& like for Rain

9<sup>th</sup> Coored shop & Barn morning & second time  
at home at Mrs. Mcle. I expect they are finishing  
wheat, went up there to measure the & behold  
they were at work on their carriage house  
long took feed

10<sup>th</sup> Pulling fodder there then clean

11<sup>th</sup> Iseling the morning then pulled  
down mountain feed fodder got  
a little after 1<sup>2</sup> o'clock, Mowing  
& Scouring 16 bns over there gathering  
Reas spreading the Yelling up fresh  
field fodder in evening  
12 pulled fodder at old house place at day  
point grooming Scouring & taking to Yelling  
up our Bladys in evening - I am sick  
Mrs. Hunt went home this morning

1851 Apr 15<sup>th</sup> Cloudy still like for Rain &  
did not rain yesterday, morning & evening  
over tobacco sloping cleared off  
16<sup>th</sup> Luce fodder & finished at long last  
Not at home - stacked 4 stacks, black  
17<sup>th</sup> Stacked one more last evening  
Drying up blades this evening cut fresh  
ground tops & at the house on lot  
Very cool like for frost, have  
not cut any tobacco yet not on plant,  
cut tops at Mrs McCullough's today  
Finished pulling at Mrs McCullough's <sup>tobacco</sup>  
I cut there about 5 or 600 sticks, stacked  
4 stacks there Tuesday evening - weather moderate  
18<sup>th</sup> Stacked 3 stacks blades last evening  
Morning sunning sloping tobacco.  
Henry stalled most yesterday to Barns.  
He gone to Mic Carl, Penn Log & 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Bals Wheat & to get overseers Bag & 1 of wheat  
for me Carl some days past we sent for corn now  
Weather clear & fine, not cut any tobacco yet  
got my Bag but did not get overseer's bag  
brought plank of 1 log for cart bridge  
22<sup>nd</sup> Begged to cut tobacco this morning  
Began in fresh ground at Mountain, then  
new ground & on to lots by Stone  
just finished cutting tops at Mrs McCullough's  
Morning & sunning over third, - many  
windy & sunning tobacco this evening cloudy  
like for rain warm weather  
24<sup>th</sup> Morning & sunning new ground this morning  
then will finish cutting over lot by house today  
fodder stack frame - Henry carried another  
log this morning & to get overseer's meal  
1 turn for me & plank - still cloudy like for

1857 ppe 25<sup>th</sup> Very Cool this Morning we were  
on stacking our Tops Cut over our tobacco  
I got man 1400 Sticks in all 245 fresh ground  
in new ground 846 a little by way back 291 in all 1382.  
26<sup>th</sup> Started our Tops yesterday finished  
morning finishing tobacco the morning making  
Hog Pen for mountain Grazier  
after the Revs gets off they are sharp  
Cut tobacco again - fair & clear  
Sent Jacob to Harris Mill 1 Bus wheel  
for flour & got the articles he bid from Lydig  
26 cutting & firing tobacco tobacco yesterday  
to day - fair & warm -  
Oct 5<sup>th</sup> The weather the last week has been  
fair & mild we have hoisted all our tobacco  
Cut except the mountain field pulled &  
shucked out our lot corn by hand &  
mountain field made nearly or about 12 bushels  
while we were measuring up corn from  
our Tops slack free down we had to  
stack that again packed up flour yesterday  
Gomfrey Hunt Park yesterday morning  
I don't know whether she broke burnt  
Meeting at Strait Stone yesterday taking  
some steps to put a stop if possible to  
the villainy going on in the use of the country  
Oct 9<sup>th</sup> Begun to sow wheat here yesterday it  
mountain field saved Rye at braney lot sowed  
the wheat there yesterday to day cut back  
what firing from Barn onto Barn in lot  
depot to begin to cut all our tobacco to dry  
Began to sow wheat at Mrs McElwinkes Tuesday  
to Oct cutting down their corn clear of air  
10 cutting tobacco in lots H. H. H. H. H.  
Mountain field Hd gone to Mill 2 Bus  
Wheat to eat 2 Bus for flour & 2 Bus. corn 1 Bus  
for overseer H. Park for Lila cloudy & snowy  
11<sup>th</sup> we have got from the mill all but our  
corn, now finished cutting & stacking tobacco today  
13<sup>th</sup> Hauled first cutting out of new ground Barn  
710 sticks to prop Barn -  
710 sticks to prop Barn - steam got stuck there

1851 Nov 1<sup>st</sup> Finished Busheling Wheat  
in fresh field this evening. Rained a little this morn  
D<sup>r</sup> Mr. Yesterday sent to Harris Mill  
flour & Bus. Wheat for Orgree & 5 Bus. Corn  
11 Bus. Wheat for Henry & for Corseur 4 Bus.  
Corn & 2 1/2 Bus. Wheat, got back on the stage  
Weather Clear & Warm Wheat seems to be  
Coming well still

5<sup>th</sup> Finishing getting up & shelling corn from Stony  
part only got 6 or 7 bushels good corn from there  
Killed Bull this morning weighed 900 lbs to the quarter  
at Hiram Myatt have 1 quarter of it  
Cloudy & cool, & Rain a little to day - finished  
Sowing Wheat & Rye at Mrs. Mclellan's now  
Shelling up Corn, put up my Hogs this morn  
by getting up Corn, put up my Hogs this morn

17<sup>th</sup> Went to Lyndon last week for Mrs. Mclellan  
Sold Wheat &c we were doing but little while  
was gone but Shoemaking, as it Rained. Went  
to Court On Monday my horse very much wanted  
Archibald Worsham began Chipping Monday morning  
Hulling up Corn at Mrs. Mclellan's  
Shee Cloudy like for Rain  
21<sup>st</sup> Cleared off shee about now house chipping  
Cleaning up & burning brush on Branch,  
Quite cold. Finished chipping to new calbers  
22<sup>nd</sup> & a clear day & very cool - some more  
It began to fix up cow Shelters & Halled Rab  
23<sup>rd</sup> Rained all day & we Stopped Tobacco on large Barns  
Snowed the first time this fall. The rain  
Melted the snow of it turned toward night &  
a very disagreeable day & night, quite cold  
24<sup>th</sup> Stopped Tobacco again on large Barns  
Halled Woods Archibald Worsham done up  
Bark & Heart. Chained off to a pretty day  
Want to meet Mclellan's they are cutting &  
digging out for diversions houses there are

1851 Novr 25<sup>th</sup> Given Our negroes their tools  
the morning after the Monday - Heavy clay  
still very lame from the trip to Lynches  
We have some tobacco & dogs in front of Bales  
Gave him to instruct my master how to get out  
28<sup>th</sup> calling at front ground. Had the mule  
up there made a small  
Raing a little quite cool  
29 Sewing what got from Mr  
Harrison cleared off (Henry gone)  
to Market Carried the bushels Corn  
30<sup>th</sup> Given to the following negroes blankets  
Henry 1 Bed sheet Malpa a blanket also &  
Jordan one also & Clementine cold  
Frederick one a pt. clear cold  
31<sup>st</sup> Sat Hanned Out Wheat & ground Dog for  
stable & Halled Wood  
8<sup>th</sup> Election this day for Governor Let Govt &  
Attorney Genl. Senator for County & members to legislature  
under new constitution, fair pretty dry  
Hanned Out one bushel of wheat for Mr McCollum  
about to settle for all the at both places  
of Russia Day before <sup>a few days ago</sup> went to Mr McCollum  
Mr Atkinson moved to NC to attend to his  
business from Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat to X for \$5.  
Having down on stable the \$6  
11<sup>th</sup> Rained hard to see house Halled some  
wood & killed our hogs this morning  
had another, went to Mrs Hunts for Lucy  
Anna -  
12<sup>th</sup> Sent the bushel full wheat of Martin  
made 1850 to Mr Joshua Hubbard  
Halled up some oats this morning  
making new stable door ~~for~~ old  
13<sup>th</sup> Cutting Helling fence over end of our  
tobacco field to do very cold & clear  
17<sup>th</sup> Owen moved Helling wood into made up  
since at all new ground. Very John D.  
moved from here this day  
in various ways - steam, sled track etc.

4. 1851 Oct 13<sup>th</sup> Sent Henry to Colo Smith's Plantation to Exchange 6 Bushels Wheat to Sew on fresh ground & 1000 lbs Tobacco Seed on mountain. We are this evening Hanging last Celing Thru & Plowing up Tobacco Fields to begin to Sew tomorrow. Clear this evening & Windy this morning very like for Rain, Then Warm.
- C 15<sup>th</sup> Finished mountain field & fresh ground Tobacco Seeds Ripping Irish Potatoes, 16<sup>th</sup> day of the Month, sent to Mr Gentry <sup>bushels</sup> 100 lbs of Modicale weather.
18. Finished Harvesting Tobacco, dug our Sweet & Irish Potatoes yesterday & day before also sent 2 Hds to Mrs Gentry to Raise Barn.
19. Killed a little Bull by the Messenger - calling down Corn going to Sow wheat if it does not Rain Heavy Halling wood & Sand.
20. 1st Fine Rain <sup>last evening & night fine</sup> 21. & Fine Rain Sold Anne Yesterday Morning Weather, - Sold Anne Yesterday Morning to Mrs Mary Moseley of Charlotte for 100<sup>00</sup> fine weather about the town -
22. Plowing lots for wheat calling Corn clean at Stabley young Tobacco Halling leaving 100, 21 & 22 Seared 2 Tobacco Lots in wheat on old prize barn & one by new Barn, Seaving on fresh field to day 2<sup>nd</sup> young Tobacco - 2 bushels - Sowed about 24 Bushels at Mrs. McCallot's to this day - no rain, cleared of 30. Went to Cott as School Cont. etc Rain this day not quite done seeding Wheat. Sear'd off Staged all night 100 lbs now between 25 & 30 Bus. Weather Show moderate & warm Sat at Robt McCallot's Sale, Calif. 1/2 Chest 25<sup>00</sup> Seeding 100<sup>00</sup> of old Mrs McCallot's Jeremiah Fallon Fifty weight 50 of S. or H. Barn 2<sup>0</sup> Oct 1851. Sub backward as that Black.

18<sup>th</sup> Dec 1837 Deer moved yesterday very  
cold weather only set up one shot  
Began to catch little growth up here in  
new ground near House — very cold  
on the night of the 18<sup>th</sup> the night some person  
broke in my Smoke House around the chimney  
& opened the door only taking out a gun  
floor slab & something like the floor  
of old go Heads that's all on top, in place  
20. Char Heald, Halling wood cutting  
Jack & Jordan gone to Mill & Cut  
what carrots have on of them have  
the other ground into flour & get one  
turn Corn Meal at Mill  
21<sup>st</sup> cloudy & cool day went out to whitewash,  
22<sup>nd</sup> This morning snow about 4 or 5 inches  
Sleet Rained last night heavily & then snowed a  
all in power to day making broom spy  
Hole — picking cocoon —  
23<sup>rd</sup> Cutting on new ground some spruce  
sewed Deer lots back of garden & by  
prop barn & granary in close end then  
the other trap set —  
24<sup>th</sup> Cutting on new ground  
Snow Miller said little very cold  
I am going to W. Franklin's & to see Mr.  
Smith & Dose about the Rent of Mr Clement's  
childrens land — left  
25 & 26 Went up to W. Franklin's for Lucy and  
to see about her injuries They are sick & of course  
then Smiths Smiths & Doses to Rent the land to  
Dose took his Bond & to collect of Smith & Dose  
got no money at all, stayed at Fitzgerald  
24<sup>th</sup> at night, & come home on Raw 25<sup>th</sup> in evening  
25 still raining & like for Rain or snow, Taibb  
27 still cloudy & like for Rain or snow, Taibb  
George gone to W. Fitzgerald  
29 still cloudy & like for Rain weather more  
moderate, Parson gone to Mrs. Coleman for a few days  
as is Mrs. Hunt's. Set Jordan for my traps —  
no animals — steam got back this

- 1852 Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> Went to Mrs. McCallory's - had  
Wood & Hattin began to blow this week when  
I blows 2 days. Heavy Riving boards made  
Stooped Hobans at Mountain Barn, I have  
to Mrs. Coleman winding up her bucking 2013  
days. I Rot a East & 12 lbs at Mrs. Cobmans  
Sale also several other things 1 oat stack,
- C 4<sup>th</sup> Jan. My wife Kate gone to Greenfield  
to meeting tolerable cool day the fair —  
The 5<sup>th</sup> at night it snowed 203 inches deep  
Rained in evening before snow. Yesterday we started  
out mountain field Barn Hobans. This morning  
quite cold, we have not finished our Ice House yet.  
Cutting in new ground this morning all hand  
Lila floured a little Monday Jordan Street  
not to mice, 1 Lb. each & 1 Corn - He —  
yesterday about 12 O'clock Monroe Peter was  
Caught or I understand by David Neal  
10<sup>th</sup> Snows again this morning about 204  
Inches Deep there has been about 4 snows  
to this day, we did not do much out yesterday  
Shelled Corn Jordan Bros from Mill 2 Lbs. each  
Lila spinning Henry & his mother Brown  
after morning, still cloudy like for snow.
- a 11<sup>th</sup> Day. Still cold & like for snow.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Chilly & cold East & Haze to Mr. Gates  
for Mrs. Jefferson Sheep to Jan 1852 —  
Cutting in new ground.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Very cold & cutting in new ground  
also breaking off hanging place  
2 Ewes has Lambs. Rot of Mrs. Cobman  
at the side of East & 12 lbs of 13 lbs corn  
this 31<sup>st</sup> in Dec 1857.
- 14 My wife Kate had to do some work  
weather more moderate, Hattin Wood  
Chaff & straw cutting in new ground also  
wringing place —

1852 Jan'y 22<sup>nd</sup> fore the 14<sup>th</sup> went to court the Collier  
Weather I ever saw, one saw. we have filled our  
Ice House, went to mill last week got 4  
Meal, our Cotton Relled about same time  
& logs jawed into another board  
Kate & Jacob gone to Mr. Hely grounds to day  
We are this day Helling leaving Heth  
5 young lambs to this day flock one  
23<sup>rd</sup> began to burn Mountain Plant Bed finished  
& sowed it on next day Saturday except covering  
&orth Branch named Kentucky Rule end then  
24<sup>th</sup> finished it - fence except covering —  
25<sup>th</sup> began to burn the one in new ground  
27<sup>th</sup> finished it 20 yds square <sup>leaves old and in the</sup>  
The 26<sup>th</sup> Helled up 1 oat stalk & one fiddly  
stalk this day —  
28<sup>th</sup> burning plant bed below second yr ground  
this day & will try them at this evening  
with seed from Mr. Our old don't feather it  
Clear & moderate weather. nights cold  
29<sup>th</sup> fenced in & covered plant beds Heth  
we went to cutting in new ground  
30<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup> cutting in new ground & plowed some  
Hely 1<sup>st</sup> sun day stayed from quite cool  
2<sup>nd</sup> Helled leaves & flowing tobacco lot  
for corn raising 3 planes  
4 flowing for tobacco. Henry Helling  
gone to Mill this morning  
Heth Back Cow from Holl mountains had  
had a calf last Saturday Heifer calf  
& we are cutting trying to get down to day —  
Halled out load wheat straw this day  
quite cool this morning like for snow  
Feb 5 Sowed grass plants onions, finished  
cutting this day Helling wood Henry  
flowing in tobacco lot below spring  
Lila flowing for corns weather made  
Cutting upold trees & for wood to nail  
12<sup>th</sup> we are Helling leaves to day & don't know you  
to shoot to fire ps. still don't know what yesterday shot  
7 paces in my barn & since the 5 paces have been  
flowing on branch high land for corn & malling to  
coverage - stones, soil back then

1852 Feby 12<sup>th</sup> Yesterday it Rained - morning  
I am writing. Turned off quite cool to day  
We have 10 Lambs to the day & Calf  
Hailed heavy in all our Barns to day - 14.  
We have striped but little Tobans yet  
Iacob & Jerry started to Scrabo

last Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> Feby 1852 -

17<sup>th</sup> Since the 1<sup>st</sup> we have been plowing  
Halling Wood malling in little new  
ground near new ground barn, finding a  
fresh ground & big an to small here it has  
not striped much Tobans yet weather for

for home of year nearly done plowing our  
flat land for corn bedded a good deal for

Corn next to Orchard also flushed down near  
to middle barn - Waggon Start Halling

Rails from fresh ground around cornfield  
next to middle Barn, Shrubbery fence row

Halling Wood in new ground here at home

we have 10 Lambs to the day last one

= to planted Irish Potatoes in bog open by spring

yester day began to plow in fresh ground

rolled logs by fresh ground in little new ground

& burning them to day plowing out there

Fredrick malling in new ground by house

a cloudy & like for Halling weather, not very cold

25<sup>th</sup> Some Rain in a few day part left Wm's

Ophraim Dasham & also at Mr. Fitzgerald's

This week you are plowing Halling Wood part

little new ground this is a very pretty day

My wife & Lila, & several of the children

complaining. Early sick at last went home

Monday eve 1852

We have 14 or 15 Lambs to the day today, calf

March 2<sup>nd</sup> Rained today & yesterday did not plow

Much, latter part last week striped all the  
Tobans we had down a poor Barn

1852 March 2<sup>nd</sup> Sowing for Corn & oats -  
Today sowed the Barley Oats by clover tote.  
Hd Henry Malling - Sandy border  
Silo sowing - also Knew St fence -  
Sent to Mr. Hodnett to day to Raes Barn -  
Henry till'd 12 o'clock. Henry fencing  
Garden Hickory Malling - began to rain  
a little after in afternoon Shelled corn  
for Striped Tobaccos at Rose Barn, took  
down middle Barn, did not rain  
1/2 Rained nearly all night stopping in Middle  
Barn to day. Moderate, but our cats though  
1. went to Mrs. Hunt's all of us, for day -  
8. Striped Tobaccos finished Middle Barn  
Henry went to Mill with wagon & got 2  
Tons Millet & Oats, strong NC -  
1. Took down all our bags that stopped  
Powered all our Tobaccos from bottom feed  
Barn. Sowing for Oats took down our ground  
Barn of Tobaccos. Very warm day -  
10. Sent Henry to Mrs. Hunt's for some Young  
Balanced packing bags. Having out Oats  
fencing Cleaning out to shells &c &c  
Began to sow Oats this day in scattered  
a little cooler wind from North  
13. Sowed about 20 Bushels Oats to this day - one  
this morning breaking at cat, sewing & stitching around  
also still working on Garden. Warm weather  
Sent Henry a few days ago to Mrs. Hunt's for  
Wheat Sprouting he gave done  
16. Went to County Fisher day - fine day  
Planted Irish Potatoe Patch by Springs -  
Began to Hill yesterday on fresh ground  
Hilling to day by hand onto all the grassy  
Henry collecting on fresh ground commencing Rainy  
about dark they night & quite thick  
17. Rained hard last night & still continues  
this morning & wind began to blow at 12 o'clock  
in night & this morning I apercive very thick  
is tremendous wind & rain from W. E..  
Top of Middle Barn blown off, sides,  
striking Tobaccos in Rose Barn -  
no damage - stems not much broken.

- 1852 March 17<sup>th</sup> Great deal of our fencing  
I am afraid is down. Sometime I have seen  
A very disagreeable day indeed  
18. Hauled up Stack of 8 fods from mountain  
field & 2 loads leaves the Sloping tobacco  
on new ground Barn gets cool here  
19<sup>th</sup> Plowing & Malling till 12 o'clock then Henry  
bushing in oats my wife starts home  
to Port Walkeups packed up tools & hauled some  
in second year ground turned very cold  
20<sup>th</sup> Snowed last night & very cold this morning  
Heavy Hail & snow till 12 o'clock then got up  
Henry finishes drawing oats balance  
Cutting wood & Hail SC —  
22<sup>nd</sup> Henry gone to W. Mills to have rails laid  
Malling also to Hellingen Lola plowing broken  
gone to Mill this weather, indeed  
Finished drawing oats on latter day last.  
Hannie W. H. came yesterday - Weatherford a rail  
23. mowing plant kiss never gone to  
Capt. Gilberts Mill this morning 12 lbs grain  
2 Barrels corn & 2 Bushels wheat - the Malling  
got 2 flows McL. to Gates Shop. —  
25 Yesterday we laid the row of new ground  
fence put up part of the fence Henry hauled  
some rails & hen & the Malling - to day  
25. Sewed plaster Malling fencing  
& Lola plowing by Brock yard  
a Beautiful day for weather —  
Hannie White her to come down last Sunday  
27<sup>th</sup> My self Hannie W & Lulu long Prairie  
all went to Mrs Hunt. Thunder. Cloud came  
up in evening & they all failed to get home  
we rolled logs this day or around the  
rain did not quite get done —  
28 cloudy & cool this morning —

1852 March 28<sup>th</sup>. About this time Red  
Marlboro' from Charly Rawley Barret  
E. south is put on Sile & we're out for  
S. Lain, too. By her & her Turner also  
in Sile - He He He He He

29<sup>th</sup> Started rolling our Log Slipping Stones on  
our ground Barn, pricing Logs from 12 O'clock  
till a g. in month, just moderate  
30. Rolling up manner pricing Log Stones.  
A Beastfull day weather quite warm  
April 1<sup>st</sup> Went to Russell to attend to Marlboro'  
Piping Coniferous mone to & I Lain -

2<sup>d</sup> Shelling Collored in fresh ground Collected  
all new ground at fresh ground by nebula  
t about 12 o'clock the wind rose & from almost  
a spark in our new ground we had a spark &  
fire burnt some few rails the wind continued  
till about sun down -

3<sup>rd</sup> Hauling Rals out of new ground waggon  
Plats around Corn field found marshy mud  
made nearly 10,000 fresh ground flats -

pricing Log. The cloudy & rainy -

4<sup>th</sup> But Had a Bull Calf Cloudy & rainy  
5<sup>th</sup> Still cloudy & rainy but from some other air  
but Bees. On Cows this Morning -

6<sup>th</sup> Last Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April we had  
smart fire in our new ground, very windy  
in evening & fire went allmost like the wind  
great deal of fire got out in evening &  
damaged a great many considerable  
This we are collecting in full new ground & fire  
Hauling the smalling wood in our ground

7<sup>th</sup>. Same work as yesterday, last Monday  
& Tuesday very cool & rainy had on Stock  
& we are out of our cow food for the  
we have almost none in Skipped House

8<sup>th</sup> Fine weather to day another more moderate  
Rained began to log off corn ground by  
fresh ground Collored & Hauling third load  
Collored Hauled Stock out of it  
Turned out our cattle

- 1852 Apr 9<sup>th</sup> Finished laying off 1 acre fresh  
ground for Corn Jordan Collaring Balances  
Hilling, Then two or o'clock, then Mr Seward  
flax at Orneans House,  
Planted Sweet Potatoe Hatch this evening  
= April 10<sup>th</sup> Hilling out wagon & Cart till 10 o'clock  
my wife Fannie & Hobart Hale went to Cob.  
12 to Rained Sunday & Monday so much that  
my family did not return till Tuesday morning  
Stay at Mr W. H. all night  
13<sup>th</sup> Stripping Tobacs on new Barn back garden  
14. Laying off left side of path by middle barn  
fencing around Corn field fence & fence  
15. Rained hard last night & the next 4 Bushels Corn  
to Mill Yesterday & this morning formal  
shelled 3 Bushels Corn to plant Planted bush potatoe  
by Henry's old house & began to plant Corn  
this Evening right side of path by middle barn  
late in the evening & in Henry's old house  
Mrs Neal very sick Don't walk up thicks from the  
taking Laudanum — to lay  
grasped my wheel on mountain by Hobart till  
got grazing on Rye lot by her  
16<sup>th</sup> & few day on are planting Corn laying off  
borrowed of E. G. Lewis 4th party carts.  
lost 2 old sheep lately — But each a  
full calf little over one week old now  
1852  
20 It has been raining every day night & day last  
Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> Tuesday after cloudy Skies we have  
planted but little Corn, Stripping Tobacs on new  
Barn back garden & trying to finish but lost 1  
Wind N.E. quite cool but on dark  
21 Finished Stripping Tobacs about 3 o'clock  
Hilled out & turned out last of the Tobacs  
= on mountain & one below fresh ground plant 13 bushels  
Rained a little to day, & cleared off cool

1952 April 22<sup>nd</sup> Sent Henry to Miller Mill  
with 3 Barrels Corn. Halling out manured the  
morning & fencing around new ground -  
Mother cleared off & got coal, Halling out  
manured this morning - Rattle -

Rode Lester to Mount Aley & the mill & returned  
about 12 o'clock 09 o'clock & before ~~time~~  
down she had her first colt, very good  
looking indeed for her age stage -

23<sup>rd</sup> Halling out manure Waggon & cart &  
all hands. Sent also to Jordan to shop this morning  
A fine day weather moderate

24 Halling out manure Lila & Henry  
both sick Port Thompson has been in town to  
see Henry & Port <sup>together</sup> once to see Lila who  
miscarried Henry I hardly know what's <sup>the matter</sup> with him

25<sup>th</sup> both get sick & a beautiful day  
did not quite get done Halling out manured

26 Moderate day a little cloudy  
Hilling flowing in new ground <sup>and good</sup>

Had Halling wood Henry & Lila yet in house  
the both better, Rained today

Went to Mrs. Stuart to day to see her.

27<sup>th</sup> took down some short tobacco in fence  
Barn spackled it down this morning

John Neal came here to M&W this morning  
at 3/4 of a day if he does not stay longer than a  
week or ten days If he stays a month I  
will pay him 50 for day - Planting corn on  
left side of path by middle barn in field

John D. Stuart & John D. Coleman started  
to George about 2 weeks ago his family  
has been sick since he left home - W. M.

Weather cool this morning, wind from W. N.

28<sup>th</sup> Planting corn Mr. Jones, & Lewis sent  
Branson 2 day to L.A. to get corn hoes for us

29<sup>th</sup> Planting corn below Middleas O'Conor

30<sup>th</sup> Planted all our bottom land & began to  
plant at 12 o'clock in fresh ground

30<sup>th</sup> Apr. 1832 Planted Soap Root & White below  
new ground left side next to House of dream  
down below planted the White ones & on the  
Simplings Pumpkins, Pot-Rice Beans in fresh ground  
This side of Orchard weather dry & muddy

MAY, see Thundering & Rainy soon the morn  
Planted Peas on Branch & then to Planting  
Corn & French, & plant greens Pepper &c  
(If it does not rain any more)

Yester day Dr. Thompson came to the Lee  
Family White went home yesterday -

John Male has been here 4 days they  
not come here yet this morning -

Have had 22 Young Lambs 19 living  
2 Young Calves, & Hester had a

Colt the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 1832, 1<sup>st</sup> High

May, Hester, he was & pleasant

Planted Peas on Branch this morning

finished planting Corn & planted Greens &c

2<sup>nd</sup> I am going to John D. Hunt's this day

3<sup>rd</sup> Raking Cotton ground Hailing wood &  
cleaning up on new ground =

4<sup>th</sup> Raking Hailing No. out of new ground &  
burning Log heaps 16 & 14 - & bed off

Lila got sick about a week ago she recovered

Began to Cultivate on new ground to day at 12 o'clock

With the Balancer Raking burning &c. Col & dog to do

5<sup>th</sup> Started 2 Cottons in new ground  
up Log heaps finishing raking No. also sick

(day) gate cork from another Cultivation

6<sup>th</sup> Cultivating again, Jordan flowing on Branch

Balancer Raking in fresh ground in evening

quite cool out of nights. Let Mrs. C. wash house

Cultivated plants. Work some tells myself

- 1852 May 7<sup>th</sup> At Mr. Neal & Mr. Burnell home  
cleared plants, finished culturing over new ground  
once began to crop a little Henry's Corn done
- 8<sup>th</sup> Jordan culturing in fresh ground balanced  
Hilling up west part there, cloudy & like for Rain  
got what to waiting to day Sacramento dry kin  
to Planting Cotton this morning, cloudy & like for Rain  
Clearing & Hilling in fresh ground to new  
12 Rands in the evening like for Rain  
Started to Sow the morning with maggots  
Hilling & finished fresh ground Raked about the  
Hills all ground Cropped in own ground replanted  
Hillies divided by meddles Barn, etc. maggots  
got home from Syntey Saturday evening on t  
the first little maggot died Friday night  
cleared off & quite cool.
- 20 Plowed lot for Tobias yesterday planted  
yesterday about 9 or 10000 Tobias Hills some  
in new ground & some in fresh ground  
Replanting Corn to day planted Corn & Beans  
Cotton Gath, Henry narrow Corn on  
Branch, Lila yet in House - clear day
- 22 Jordan Plowing in Corn mat to Orchard  
Henry culturing on new ground balanced  
Hilling in new ground -
23. Two or three few showers of Rain to day
- 24 Planting Tobaccos this morning in sand  
yrs. ground, & new ground - warm fine weather
- 25 Finished freshed ground except hillpart  
that's new ground cleared off & got  
Planting this evening all the hills, that  
made for new ground Henry culturing  
Henry set up one Acre to day for 37.4 ft the  
staves being pointed - & is to set up one from  
at that price & one more staves to joint it  
A little shower of Rain yesterday we have  
finished Hilling Planting our new ground  
yesterday Plowed 2 or 3 day in our Corn  
Began to greed corn on Branch this morning  
Cloudy & like for Rain, worked out some thick  
as usual - when you look them

- 1852 May 29<sup>th</sup> Went Jordan to Mill & Beg. Corn  
- - - 31 - Planting Tobacco all day to day  
Hired Geo. Gentry & Isaac to help plant  
Bedded & planted nearly all the big lot -  
Clear & Cool, - heat gone to Mt. Patricks.  
Mrs. McCullocks Mare, to day  
Peggy, 2nd her mama had Jordan back to King's collar  
June, in flowing & weeding Branch Corn in orchard  
Lila throwing from cow with Mr. Eggenick  
2<sup>d</sup> Weeding sheep meat to orchard this morning  
Flowing & weeding bottom below new ground  
Jordan gone to Mill sandy flowing &  
Weather clear & fair, went to Mrs. McCullents, yesterday  
3<sup>d</sup> Jordan went to Mill yesterday 7<sup>th</sup> Beg  
Corn, weeding cow meat to Orchard House  
Flowing fresh ground corn, Jordan flowing,  
left end of Sally's Middle Barn. Lila  
Colley, sheaged sheep this day  
all but 4 & rain stopped us. After  
that evening turned cool.  
8<sup>th</sup> Last Saturday on planted our one tobacco again  
fresh ground & lot very nearly all camping had  
to dash the plants at both places finished before  
night. New ground not missing much  
replanting last evening balanced on branch  
weeding corn meat to Orchard a fresh ground  
Heavy Jordan & sandy flowing before end next  
to middle barn turned yesterday & we apportioned  
to little rainy a little fine growing weather  
Went to Mr. Gentry's fields last Sunday & got back  
9<sup>th</sup> Flowed Cotton & Potatoes, then weeding  
corn finished. Dried corn meat to Orchard  
11<sup>th</sup> Weeding & flowing drill corn meat to bay  
by Middle Barn, & then went in evening to flow  
to fresh ground where we are flowing & weeding  
14<sup>th</sup> Flowing & weeding corn below house  
& flowing & sowing on Branch, flowed  
& weeding & tilling up sweet potatoes  
Put out tobacco to seen & dry this day  
take us several days to get done weeding corn

1852. From 15<sup>th</sup> flowing & weeding corn.

During Spring Tobaccos  
finished harvesting our sheep this day  
weeding part of our fresh ground tobacco

17<sup>th</sup> finished weeding corn this morning started  
paying off second quality tobacco -

18<sup>th</sup> went to Mr. Wm. Tucker & in the evening  
came up a fine rain & replaced over  
tobacco all over Saturday given time for to  
weather warm & growing, grass pastures very fresh

19<sup>th</sup> raining a little to day. This day on  
harrowed the flat land again began to  
seed tobacco in fresh ground on Thursday

21<sup>st</sup> expect to start my wagon to Symeby

in the morning. At the second

began a little to day to try buy corn

planted peas & saved some weeding fresh  
ground tobacco sent 7 bushels corn

to Capt. Gilbert's Mill to day &  
could not get it shane to send again

22<sup>nd</sup> my wagon started to Symeby this morning  
with one hhd of tobacco some for Mrs. Linsley  
weeding down fresh ground tobacco, went

to Mrs. McClouds this day

24<sup>th</sup> my wagon got back on 3 days riding  
down tobacco in lot on branch lot & replaced  
over this day I hope for the last by 16<sup>th</sup> year

25<sup>th</sup> trying buy corn in fresh ground next to  
orchard 3 plows, 1st plowing lot tobacco  
cutting rye, Wednesday & to day, clear & cool

expect to begin to cut lot wheat to day

planted cucumbers for pickling & watermelons

26<sup>th</sup> cutting wheat in lot back garden &  
pig barn, clear & cool nights, weeding down  
tobacco in lots - bushing new ground

27<sup>th</sup> July 1852. weeding lot tobacco laying by corn on  
branch front to orchard seasonable weather

28<sup>th</sup> this day Rye flowing on fresh ground toward by  
weeding lots have west to corn field

1852 Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> The Weather is now like before  
Rain. We have taken down our few Tobacco for  
the besides expect to bring them tomorrow  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prizing Tobacco good & since the Big  
Wind & Bushy Corn nearly 3 bushels from  
my Sheds 13 Bushel Rye in threshed to Cope  
Gibb's Mill the day after having met to Doctor  
laid by fresh ground towards Slope pine just  
Meeting down Tobacco the flowing water did  
after 12 O'clock 4<sup>th</sup> the night was forth laid  
having been put about 5 or 6 crevices clear dry  
flowing & laying by Corn - working <sup>up</sup> to the Head  
5. Went to Sheds before day about goes with the Cope  
got up Rye some wheat put out Tobacco  
flowing Corn, & be given to Cat Oats the dry  
6. Calling Oats was forth prepared - clear dry  
7. Calling Oats the day - working down new ground  
8. After day & calling gates dry & very hot -  
finished Calling Oats this day & stalled up Tobacco  
out of our Barn to prize Barn & turning it  
to the road Oat 1 floor Wheat sunning below  
our Tobacco like the flowing Henry & balance  
after long prizing good & fair Tobacco,  
clear fine day so far, very dry  
13 Flowing nearly done laying by Corn -  
14. Fine shower rain last evening weather  
Replanted Tobacco this morning to come tomorrow  
15. Last Evening shower fall Rain & wind & the  
hail, wind blew down great deal of our fence  
not quite done prizing our good Tobacco &  
this morning cutting trees out of road putting up  
fencing etc. - about this time  
it rained all night last night, for going on the  
Fence yesterday flowing fresh ground & taking  
I finished prizing Corn Tobacco set gates  
down, hauling our wheat up oats oats  
9<sup>th</sup> Fine Rain, about this time we are killing off  
fresh ground Tobacco plowing for corn below House

1851 July 25<sup>th</sup> Have been to Town this morn<sup>th</sup> & sold  
our last tobacco, returned on Thursday. Friday have  
been plowing up fresh ground tobacco land  
of making our new ground. Yesterday morning I  
continued plowing our corn for rain yesterday  
in fact kept 4 stalks out, & some shocks,  
This day, trialing out wheat, hand weeding  
tobacco, & replanted lot this morning.  
Plowing & Hilling up our lot tobacco, raised  
a little lime growing weather. Plowing Turnip  
Patch near Hatch & Cotton Patch & sowed Turnips  
in garden etc. fine weather about the time  
seeded Turnips in garden & Howard Hatch  
plowing grass by Cotton Patch. Harrowing tobacco  
to kill the grass etc.  
28<sup>th</sup> Hallowing up wheat cleaning lot  
tobacco on Branch dresser table, etc.  
29. Plowing & Hallowing up finished stalked oats  
leaving them in. Hallowing up new ground.  
30. Hallowing up new ground sloping to get down  
Henry plowing tobacco on Branch dresser table  
Hallowing up Branch lime & lime at Cotton Patch  
Turnip & Hops in pasture at Stony Creek  
My wife goes to the W H Hatt Co. at Wythe  
to lease out fresh ground corn & working her  
corn field there. Yesterday  
we went to S D Hatt's office to find him  
Plowing & Hallowing up Branch tobacco etc  
3<sup>rd</sup> Almond sick. Chopping lot new ground tobacco  
We went to Mrs. Gaster dog nights  
4<sup>th</sup> Fine Rain last night, cool. Cool for  
the morning. all evening spending  
at Mrs. Gaster's to care for my wife  
5<sup>th</sup> Hopped this morning. Weather growing milder &  
ploughing & Hallowing up fresh ground tobacco  
I sowed Turnips yesterday. Hallowing up second  
of my ground Henry the image board no. 2 growing  
weather this Saturday. This day etc.  
Wednesday Mrs. Smith Fredericksburg. The day  
Wednesday went to soft Hopkins after breakfast. I fine  
got it & began to thresh about 7:30 o'clock. I fine  
Tuesday evening home by the sea side etc. last  
Tuesday evening - Henry got back from

- 1852 Aug 11<sup>th</sup> Rained last night a few rain  
of the morning started with MacLean  
to help Mr Fitzgerald clear the morning  
3 hands & 3 horses gone to help him -  
12<sup>th</sup> My wife went to Mrs Hunts yesterday she  
day to see Mrs Hunt. Stayed over from today to  
yesterday went to Market. Yesterday  
Mrs Hunt is very low. Died a Daniel Clark  
13<sup>th</sup> Dipping Tobacco yesterday & to day also  
morning & evening. This we are Ricing up  
lot again & fairing out wheat -  
Baptizing of Stout stone to do <sup>work</sup> ~~had been 4 days at~~  
14 Went to Court Henry Jordan Island <sup>chopping</sup>  
you back again this morning <sup>from</sup> ~~Henry~~ <sup>and he</sup> got home about 11 o'clock <sup>ago</sup>  
Coca or Branch  
15 Rained a few rain last night  
Henry came home from carrying the  
Machine to Capt Fitzgerald about  
11 O'clock in another fine rain -  
sent to Miller, Miller. Spinning this evening  
16 Dipping & morning tobacco. Finished Heling up  
lot to day. Sent Tomp. back over again  
17 Buying apples. Dipping tobacco etc etc  
18 Dipping morning tobacco & buying apples etc  
Drying fruit. Sent <sup>Henry</sup> to shop and Mrs  
Hunt, carried to shop 3 Mbs <sup>Henry</sup> to sharpen & top  
iron to iron wagon & Bars for Plantation  
Sent 2 Mbs Bars to sharpen 1 box tools to put  
long & simple in for going store 1 little aqua  
bowl. Sent to Mrs Hunt for 1 Bbl she gave us  
20<sup>th</sup> Went to Mrs Coleman's Hillfield plantation  
Mr Waller yesterday. Rained all night  
nearly. Cloudy this morning raining  
fog mending. Last shot working on building  
spinning. Very warm. Fine growing weather  
stalling parts for chickens to Henry. house <sup>were</sup>  
21<sup>st</sup> Rained nearly all night. Not good  
weather & dark.

1852 Aug 23<sup>rd</sup> Still Cloudy & like for Rain  
did Rain Evening & in the night -  
Wetting fresh ground tobacco this morning  
Halling Rock & Shrub Corn ground It  
does not Rain ~~most~~<sup>as fast</sup> much  
but a little by M C G Lewis morning to <sup>Cold</sup>  
night for Mrs McCullough Money for ~~2000~~<sup>1000</sup> Dr.  
My self gone to Mrs Hanks. Last evening yesterday  
24. Rained several times yesterday nearly  
all night last night & raining to day -  
we are spinning & making Basket etc etc  
~~Mr~~ not come home yet 10 o'clock  
Halled 2 loads Rock & Put some cedar  
25. Still Cloudy & meeting Rain, Morning  
smoking tobacco. Beating out flax seed  
26 smoking & toping tobacco, finished over morning  
now toping over, clear off for winter  
Raining most all day to day - Spring  
Rained very hard all night & this morning  
very hard water comes very high I expect  
there is a great flood to come -  
spinning making Baskets etc etc to Mr.  
Lewis & Lewis for my debt when fall.  
27. Went to Mr B Banks Funeral Preacher  
at St Andrews  
Death. Fair pretty day  
28. Fair beautiful day little cool. Haying  
Bridge at Spring. Cut the Mill this morning  
of Barley. Dried corn & cut wheat once before  
10 Bars left in all for horses now & flour thick  
cutting or 9 Baskets before to eat -  
Morning & toping tobacco this morning  
Toping & toping tobacco this morning  
said gone after cattle to day -  
3pm Cut a bush tobacco and new ground corn out  
of tobacco & toping tobacco went to Staunton to  
see Mr Clements Chipping Lard  
also see Tilled Hodder by Garden Haying tool  
ground tobacco Spring in lot. Halling Rock  
McNelkup takes Mr Hanks place on Leaking  
School Rd, day - clear fine weather

1852 Sept 1<sup>st</sup> Engaged Bird Hanes to Run & draw  
Shingles & paid him self at \$1000 Dollars a thousand  
to be paid in Wheat Vinegar or something else  
2<sup>nd</sup> Went to Cole Dickerson's blacksmith for  
Mr McCullough & Yo C.R. for Cape Fly road to  
Mizpah Co - found Dray  
3<sup>rd</sup> Morning Surveying Islands & Cut 34 lots  
out of new ground that was vacant  
4<sup>th</sup> Morning Lot Tobias Spangler & myself  
a foot of good Jordan loam & clayey soil  
also sandy & silty sawing from 10 AM to 4 PM  
Henry went to Horse Barn at Port Meigs  
5<sup>th</sup> Sila & Jordan flowing to Mountain field  
Something lost Pompom fore leg Amputated  
6<sup>th</sup> must stop here \$100 but have killed a lot  
of fish & fowl along the way  
7<sup>th</sup> Bathed it in Mullin River to fell  
8<sup>th</sup> fair & clear July 20<sup>th</sup> This morning  
Company left Bittern got Bittern State got to Help  
9<sup>th</sup> Rain, Rain, Rain, nearly every day & we  
have a good deal of fodder on the ground  
10<sup>th</sup> cut about four hundred bushels on an acre  
Spent a making Baskets Well  
10<sup>th</sup> Spring Basket Making & mending clothes  
Rained all night last night this morning  
Bird Hanes getting Shore & I further has got  
11<sup>th</sup> cloudy little for rain this morning  
Buying apples for vinegar & Bet, one of our  
Milch Cows Died some time ago, leaving  
Bald summing to be her complaint, last evening  
another cow Mary Died in same way dying Bald  
also one of our sheep Died in down lot,  
Very Wet Weather, & like to be so this morning  
Cows are the mountain field where many Died  
12<sup>th</sup> Strait Stone Bridge did not stand the  
day & turned another cedar & wood from N.W.  
at night quite cool Hanes W. & M. S. Lee

- 1852 Sept. 15<sup>th</sup> Cleared off & very cool & not  
a cloud to be seen to day we are now making  
burning tobacco tops up for feed which has  
been pulled a week & cutting dried tobacco  
in lot on Branch, one of my sheep died by  
the Plankton not at meeting yesterday -  
at half past 6 in the morning I bushed out  
as far as flour morning & removing tobacco  
hangings down cut yesterday & pulling for dinner  
I am going to settle business for Mrs McClellan  
got back at night & pulled the Branch -
- 15<sup>th</sup> Morning toping & surveying flat on lot -  
pulling fodder, this morning that they ought to have  
be cutting & housing new ground tobacco. in the  
evening toping up fodder, cleared off, very pretty  
to morning surveying new ground lot tobacco, found a  
tobacco cutting tobacco on fresh ground -  
fine free weather, moderate weather  
16<sup>th</sup> Cut tobacco about 1700 Standard bushels.  
18<sup>th</sup> We have cut over all our tobacco & one  
of all got about 1600 Standard bushels, good  
fire'd with shots & some drowned - morning fresh  
ground. Tied up fodder last night put it  
& stacks prepared by Past, pulling fresh ground  
fodder to day, gathering peas, the H.C. Rush  
19. Fine weather, went to Harmony to day to have Mr.  
20. Housing new ground tobacco in new Barn  
morning & surveying fresh ground tobacco, some time  
cloudy, gathering peas, & deposit to piece fodder  
to day, the other side of the Branch under moderate  
finishes & pulling fodder this evening  
stacked 7 stalks blades like for Rain ground.  
22<sup>nd</sup> Housing horses on new ground. Burn or frost  
cutting tops & firing tobacco, cutting wood  
cleared off the morning, gathering day, the  
23<sup>rd</sup> Finished pulling blade fodder &  
Tied some Tops - cutting tops on Branch  
24<sup>th</sup> Began to cut tobacco & tying up fodder  
25<sup>th</sup> Rained & cloudy for day & following day, some  
blades on ground, have put up 8 stalks, blades  
all to stack the other side of Branch

- 1852 Apr 26<sup>th</sup> Cloudy this morning - like to rain - turned cooler, wind for 3 days S.E. -  
27<sup>th</sup> Calling & Hanging tobacco on Branches in lot of new ground around calling on lot 1450 sticks  
in new ground this evening 400 sticks  
stacking fodder at night calling tops in morning  
28<sup>th</sup> Finished the lot except Branch yesterday to day  
calling on Branch & in new ground  
29<sup>th</sup> Sat fed to mice this morning 6 bushels  
Wheat. 22<sup>nd</sup> Run corn half full smoother  
Began to Cut tobacco in fresh ground this  
morning, calling tops in morning &  
finished stacking blade fodder put up 10  
stacks one in store for weather  
30<sup>th</sup> Cutting tobacco in fresh ground  
yesterday cut three to day met & hung them 450 sticks  
to day met & hung them 550 sticks  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  1300 sticks  
 $\frac{1450 \text{ saved}}{2750 \text{ used}}$   
Oct 1<sup>st</sup> Stacking 1<sup>st</sup> stack <sup>first</sup> <sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> <sup>3<sup>rd</sup></sup> <sup>4<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>5<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>6<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>7<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>8<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>9<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>10<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>11<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>12<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>13<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>14<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>15<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>16<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>17<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>18<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>19<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>20<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>21<sup>st</sup></sup> <sup>22<sup>nd</sup></sup> <sup>23<sup>rd</sup></sup> <sup>24<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>25<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>26<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>27<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>28<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>29<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>30<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>31<sup>st</sup></sup> <sup>1<sup>st</sup></sup> <sup>2<sup>nd</sup></sup> <sup>3<sup>rd</sup></sup> <sup>4<sup>th</sup></sup> <sup>5<sup>th</sup></sup> 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1852 Oct 11<sup>th</sup> Having our tobacco very little  
as its all nearly dead and burned  
15<sup>th</sup> Gathered about 6 Barrels Corn Nap Peas  
Sawing Shingle Blocks - Bent to Count  
Housing Tobacco, not much frost.  
Finished Monday while I was at home  
17<sup>th</sup> Carried 2 Stock to <sup>my</sup> saw mill last  
for the slaves, & Heading  
18<sup>th</sup> Carried to 2 to Milling, to be faced  
Guard Edged 1/3rd for shelling  
Fine weather Fannie White here  
21 Began to sow for wheat. Henry go  
to Mill & Bus. now Corn the first we sowed  
in under 17<sup>th</sup> Oct 1852 don't know how to  
clean it out & set it on the back of the garden  
after hand clean - Great to count Monday morning  
22<sup>nd</sup> Art. White came again to see cleaning.  
Hand & cut off one of her fingers, - that  
Garrison in a rage cleaned out & drove away  
sowing for winter. Sowing out Wheat to see  
26 We have been sowing wheat ever since 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
Cutting up tobacco stubble take in house 1/3<sup>rd</sup>  
Dr White busy to day making 3 boxes to <sup>store</sup>  
and fourths sale, but 1 Cow & 1 Cal Carving knife  
1 Axe 2 Vinaigre Bells 1 Box old tools - \$6.1  
27 Sowing wheat Hailing soy to Gates  
But at Mrs Smith's sale several other articles  
say Carving knife & fork cut Rail Box old tools 2 Bells  
1 Axe 1 Cow -  
28 29 30<sup>th</sup> we have finished sowing wheat out at  
Wash ground. Sowed in lot & out at fresh ground <sup>top</sup>  
Cal Hailing corn in fresh ground next to orchard  
& began to grow there when it commenced raining  
would to hell a day or two ago 5 Bells, new corn  
30<sup>th</sup> Cut sloping tobacco at Dousers house  
none of our soy up this morning  
Now, a sawing shingle blocks John will here Hailing up  
corn - sowing for wheat cloudy & warm like for  
rain - No sun & rain filling shingles  
In our egg - Steam, got back home

1852 Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> Presidential Election day  
Very Blustering in the evening & a Thunder  
Cloud came up & Rained a little - we are  
Housing some Corn in morning halling out  
Sewed about 2 Bus. Wheat next to Orchard  
brushed it. Plowing for wheat call down  
stalks below the House - Hogs failed to come  
began to get up bunches of success for pigs  
4<sup>th</sup> Stalled one Hog to fatten for hams, better one than  
he sawed for us - we have a little to boot  
Yesterday we gathered success began to shoe make  
leaving wheat next to Orchard - This  
morning we finish leaving wheat next to orchard  
The weather this morning we are digging  
our sweet Potatoes - dug about 5 or 6 bushels.  
5<sup>th</sup> this morning late for rain & we are not digging  
making another Hog Pen, cutting down Corn  
by Middle Barn to leave wheat all our Hogs  
6<sup>th</sup> Tanning Oat wheat spring fed with  
to mill 4 Bus. Corn 2 1/2 wheat for our flour  
Raining fine weather for wheat that is said  
We have sewed 22 or 23 Bus. of the Bus Rye,  
7<sup>th</sup> Sunday cloudy & moderate weather  
8<sup>th</sup> went to saw mill with another dog to get  
Chopped around Steppes 10  
9<sup>th</sup> Dug Balance of our Potatoes 16  
10 Hunting for lynx to start tomorrow  
22<sup>nd</sup> went to Lyndy to Court finished Sewing  
Whit, pulling away Greens & nearly done  
Shoemaking - began to Grub & Cut in New  
Gov. Silas Little & Sonny a Blanket a pt.  
also Clem, Cindy & Maebeth a blanket ap  
33<sup>rd</sup> cleared off very pretty morning last night  
Old Skarps in we going calling to Halling Wood  
I am going to Mrs. Sturt's to see Mrs. Collier

1852 Nov 26 Raining all day Stripping Tobs  
Freddy gone to mile 5 Bay. Con 3 bushels wheat  
also Maize & Shy Spennys — weather cold  
Nov 27<sup>th</sup> Finished Shucking all our branched  
Corn & old Land. Have all the fresh  
land where we saved wheat here at hand  
to get up now. fair weather for it  
3<sup>rd</sup> Raining this morning & I made Cookies  
making Baskets & shooting Macking  
4 Haled up Wood & Howard Corn in evening  
Moderate Clear day - it went to S. S. W. Howard &  
Hear Bro McLaughlin -  
I Killed 2 Hogs this morning pulling off  
Corn & Haling up hair Moderate day  
Haling up Corn in the evening clouded up  
& rained a little so that we Shucked no corn  
8. Clear fine morning, sent Ted to Mill  
& buy Corn & 2 bushels Wheat for Dr. Lucka  
trying to finish Haling up Corn this morning  
then for Shucking & Housing —

16<sup>th</sup> Finished Our Corn last Monday & this day  
it's raining last night it Haled quite  
Cold Cut & Haled Wood yesterday & today  
we are shooting & making Baskets Jeff G.  
finished Haling Slack next to Orchard &  
sent the wheat here & next to me are cleaned  
Cloudy & raining this day. we are Stripping Tobs  
weather warm, not quite done grubbing the sides of  
branch when we are cleaning  
and grubbing & cutting, the best saving wheat when  
stalks is in field, but not finished haling stalks  
lately I have haled wood for our kiln 9 days  
ago & well off still 3 or 4 days ago —  
It has been raining nearly all the day  
Clear 1 day last Monday very wet here and  
have not seen the sun for several days  
Nov 5. It has been raining most all the X  
of One or Two. last night came in & night before last  
it rained & snowed very bad night. Snow  
up all the mch. & all have had Cold &

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Jan 5 Spotted Cow had <sup>7</sup> calves 2 or 3 days ago  
the on Corn from Mr. Fitzgerald has just  
but we can't find her have been hunting  
for her 2 or 3 days <sup>the Corn</sup> up on the 8th & we are  
hunting now grubbing up <sup>to</sup> yesterday on  
striped tobacco, - Cow came up on the 8th.

8<sup>th</sup> We have been Hauling Wood cutting up

12<sup>th</sup> This week we have been along to Hauling up  
yesterday we began to flow. Total flow <sup>in</sup> today  
field balanced is cutting wood for Heat Bed at  
Mountain. This morning its raining hard & began  
sometime in the morn we are all striping tobacco &  
conservs tobacco. finishing what there about 12 o'clock  
we have finished building our new ground —

15<sup>th</sup> Striping tobacco on Middle Barn yesterday  
to day, not quite done the Barn back of garden

Snowed Thursday night about 4 or 5 inches depth  
for the first time winter, Jacob & I ate to see

Mr. Fitzgerald who is sick as well as myself  
I have sick for 2 weeks to day taken several  
gills & 2 doses strong Indians one of whom  
last night. Hauling out straw for cattle the ad  
evening. Mr. Crows helping to assort tobacco etc  
who I have engaged to help when he can a spade  
Sent Jordan to store for paper letters & a bottle of  
Castor Oil for me

22<sup>nd</sup> The past week I have been sick all the  
week they have burnt one plant at Mountain

Field cut in snow ground burnt brush tallied

Mr. Heile they sloped tobacco one or two  
days in middle Barn to day cutting land  
for Abram needs to haul wood, cloudy &  
rainy

for snow or rain, 23<sup>rd</sup> Tolerable good day

24<sup>th</sup> cloudy & like for falling weather we are ship

tobacco on middle Barn till 12 o'clock then sloped cleared off

they went to cutting on new ground —

25 Put straw on cow Racks yesterday, we are  
all hands cutting to day, my wife Jerry & I  
are going to see Mr. Fitzgerald to day He —

1853 Jan'y 26. Mr Fitzgerald is better. I am  
also mending on an ailing Big growths  
on new ground & nearly done. - weather  
Very cold wind from N.E. - clear

27<sup>th</sup> Burning Plant Bed in new ground  
above Johns Spring - nearly done cutting  
Big growths, my wife & Henry gone to Mrs. H.  
Jacob gone to Mill, killed 2 Hogs this  
morning weather cold this morning.

28<sup>th</sup> This day clear, Burnt Plant Bed  
in new ground yesterday finished at Tally &  
Henry Halling Wood except to saw Plant  
Bed this evening in new ground  
leaved Plant Bed 15 rods square bounded & covered it.

29 We are cutting Big growth the other side  
of Branch Spring place to burn another  
plant bed on Johns Branch. Ted gone to  
Mill & Bushels Corn & the Bushels wheat etc  
Fine clear weather "very cold".

30<sup>th</sup> Clear fine day. Mr Fitzgerald better

31<sup>st</sup> Burning 2 plant beds at new ground  
on Johns Branch to day & finished  
of Burning but not Chopped up & saved by  
Henry again Complaining & also sick  
ever since yesterday - from over eating  
Feb'y, a young 2 Plant Beds to saw the way  
london & Henry Halling wood Henry also  
sick from over eating. Jacob went to Cott.  
with Mrs Clements last Sunday went for her  
Mr Neal just leather & he supper & for  
a pair of fine shoes \$1.00

Cloudy this morning & like for rain  
Henry false in House yet - Ted &  
Henry Halling draw in back & leaves to  
cutting in new ground & if it dont rain  
my self go to Halling wood Sat 12 Oct.  
Jacob has not come yet Jacob come  
yesterday - Henry got back then

1853 Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> also got out this morning  
Henry riding about Spouse yet my wife  
gone to Mrs Lewis's & David Miller, -  
We are cutting big growth & expect to get  
done awhile before night, Jordan killed  
Mowd - Fine weather indeed moderate;  
Died yesterday to take down my Barn 2ba.  
Let Jerry to store up in Gilpins QC

4<sup>th</sup> Finished cutting this day have burnt 4  
Plants 12ds, Jordan plowing to day fed Horses  
up balance of stalks off wheat, expect  
one or two to go to making some to shay  
Corn Land - Jacob gone after cottonseed  
of 40 bushels ground, been there 3 or 4 weeks,  
5<sup>th</sup> Raining this morning finishing cutting  
stalling up corn stalks out of wheat  
also Henry got in house, striping wheat  
in middle Barn & expect to finish that to day  
then for striping in Pigeon Barn -  
Weather warm, my Barn gone for a week,  
6<sup>th</sup> Very warm & raining, just did striping in  
a middle Barn, staked down Lucy & her  
the good & second yesterday - Raining all day  
Cloudy like for rain took down nearly  
all the Pigeon Barn of tobacco & striped down  
there & finished striped new Barn back of  
Garden, Hauled one load from mountain  
to overseers House to strip down moderately  
weather, hung up meat Saturday last -  
8<sup>th</sup> My wife & Cate gone to J D Hunt's visiting  
Malissa & Kitty shucking corn land does, feed  
killed Beef & meal this morning, Jordan plow  
up Irish Potatoes field, fed Jacob & Sandy molasses  
Hauled out straw stalled leaves the old mill  
Planted Irish Potatoes field in corn from  
9<sup>th</sup> went to Mill to day 4 bushels wheat for me to flour  
10 Bushels corn for meal covered Irish Potatoes field  
with leaves